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Stepfather's conviction leaves family feeling isolated

By JENNIFER H. SVAN
Stars and Stripes

SPANGDAHLEM AIR BASE, Germany — It's what Navajos call a "third eye" that first alerted Amber Holcomb that something was wrong on a cold November night one year ago.

"It was an instinct," Holcomb recalled. "Something just didn't feel right."

Eight weeks pregnant, she awoke to use the bathroom in her tidy military apartment in Bitburg, Germany. There, she discovered soiled baby wipes stuffed into the bathroom trash can.

Then she found her 14-year-old daughter lying awkwardly on her bed, sprawled half-way off the mattress.

Holcomb tapped her on the shoulder.

"What's going on?" she asked.

"Zhe'e told me to go to the restroom," the girl replied, using the Navajo word for father.

"Why?" Holcomb asked.

"He tried to put his thing in me," she answered softly. "He did other things, too."

Six months later, in a military courtroom in Spangdahlem, Air Force Staff Sgt. Justin Holcomb, 26, the teenager's stepfather, pleaded guilty to forcible sodomy with a child, abuse and sexual contact with a child and attempted aggravated sexual assault of a child.

The one-time Cub Scout leader was sentenced to five years in prison, a dishonorable discharge and reduction in rank to airman basic. He is serving his sentence in a Navy-run prison in San Diego.

Amber Holcomb — her name is a pseudonym to protect the identity of the victim — and her five children soon lost their once-secure life on the air base and now face an uncertain future back in the States, where the family is surviving on food stamps and whatever Holcomb, 33, can make by periodically selling her blood. She is seeking a divorce and full custody of the children.

The tragic story might have ended there, the grimly familiar disintegration of yet another family torn apart by a stepfather's molestation of a child.

But Justin Holcomb's crimes did more than destroy his own family. They sharply divided the couple's friends in the tightly knit Air Force community in Spangdahlem and laid bare cultural and religious fault lines that few acknowledge even today.

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Once again, U.S. dealing with Karzai

By LEO SHANE III
Stars and Stripes

WASHINGTON — The cancellation of Afghanistan's runoff election likely won't make things worse for President Barack Obama as he searches for a path ahead in that country, experts said Monday. But that's not really good news.

"This is just more evidence of how disastrous things have been there," said Caroline Wadhams, a policy analyst at the Center for American Progress, a liberal think tank with close ties to the Obama administration. "Whether or not this election took place, the Obama administration was going to be in an impossible state."

On Sunday, Afghan presidential candidate Abdullah Abdullah withdrew from the Saturday runoff election, effectively handing a victory to president Hamid Karzai. Abdullah questioned whether the second election would be fair, after no substantial procedure changes were made following the fraud-ridden summer elections.

In a statement Monday, U.S. Embassy officials congratulated Karzai on "his victory in this historic election." House Armed Services Committee Chairman Rep. Ike Skelton, D-Mo., was more blunt in his assessment, calling the election "deeply flawed and filled with uncertainty" but adding that "we now have an outcome and can begin to move forward."

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Afghan President Hamid Karzai prepares to meet with U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon at the presidential palace in Kabul on Monday. Afghanistan's election commission canceled Saturday's runoff and proclaimed Karzai the victor of the election.

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Box office haunts



Indie smash 'Paranormal Activity' takes helm from 'Blair Witch'

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Longhorns charge

Texas moves up to No. 2 in BCS poll

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Texas QB Colt McCoy

QUOTE OF THE DAY

"If health care is a benefit that is worth having, then it's worth paying for. This gives the impression that it's only worth having if someone else pays for it."

— William Gale, adviser to former President George H.W. Bush's Council of Economic Advisers, on taxing the wealthy in order to pay for a government health plan

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October attack a heavy toll on Iraqis

Single attack accounts for nearly half of month's civilian deaths

By BARBARA SURK
The Associated Press

BAGHDAD — Nearly half of all Iraqis who died in October perished in a single coordinated attack against government offices in Baghdad, AP figures revealed Monday.

Of the 364 Iraqis killed over the past month, according to The Associated Press count, 155 died in two nearly simultaneous bombs targeting government buildings Oct. 25 in downtown Baghdad — the worst coordinated attack

in more than two years.

The impact of the devastating bombing, which occurred in one of the most protected parts of the capital, continues to be felt as the government struggles to convince Iraqis it can protect them.

The government blamed an alliance of al-Qaida in Iraq and members of Saddam Hussein's outlawed Baath Party for similar bombings in August of the Justice and Finance ministries that killed about 100 people and has

called for an international investigation, particular with regard to the role of neighboring Syria.

Special U.N. envoy Oscar Fernandez-Taranco met Monday with Iraqi Prime Minister Nouri al-Maliki and senior government officials as part of "preliminary consultations on the incidents surrounding" the Aug. 19 and Oct. 25 blasts.

The U.N.'s decision to send the special envoy to Baghdad came before the October attacks.



New minister's review

Gen. Lee Sang-eui, middle in jeep, chairman of the South Korea Joint Chiefs of Staff, and Kim Tae-young, right, South Korea's minister of national defense, conduct a military review during an honor guard ceremony Monday at Knight Field at U.S. Army Garrison-Yongsan. In September, Minister Kim replaced Lee Sang-Hee to become the Minister of Defense for South Korea.

ALFREDO JIMENEZ
Stars and Stripes

Investigators seek cause of midair crash

SAN DIEGO — Investigators are meeting to look into the cause of a crash between a Coast Guard plane and a Marine helicopter that killed nine people off the Southern California coast.

The search for bodies and wreckage continues.

Coast Guard Lt. Josh Nelson says searchers will also try to lo-

cate the aircraft black box recorders. He said he wouldn't speculate on the chances of recovering anything in an area where the water is more than 2,000 feet deep.

Yokosuka MWR to host bike ride

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — The base's Morale, Welfare and Recreation will host the Turkey Sandwich Bike Ride on Sunday. The two-hour ride will

kick off at 7 a.m. at the Purdy Fitness Center. It will offer three different experience levels, with no rider being left behind.

Sandwiches and refreshments will be provided after the event. For more information, call DSN 241-4486.

Yokosuka to host Turkey Trot 5K

YOKOSUKA NAVAL BASE, Japan — The Captain's Cup Tur-

key Trot 5-kilometer run will be held Nov. 20 at 11:30 a.m. next to Yokosuka's Purdy Fitness Center.

The first person to catch the runner dressed like a turkey wins a free turkey.

Free T-shirts will be given on a first-come, first-served basis. For more information, call DSN 241-4486.

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Amber Holcomb burns sage and spreads the smoke with a hawk feather — a Navajo ritual to ward off evil spirits — inside her military apartment on Bitburg Annex, Germany, earlier this year.

Family: Wife attempts to move on after conviction

FAMILY, FROM PAGE 1

Soon after his arrest, Justin Holcomb professed a religious awakening in the Christian faith. Local evangelical groups promptly embraced him, welcoming him into their religious communities, filling the benches behind him at his trial and hugging him and praying with him during courtroom breaks. One group's newsletter called him "a growing godly man," never mentioning the sex crimes to which he'd confessed.

Meanwhile, Amber Holcomb and her children, who followed Navajo traditions, felt abandoned and shunned. Old friends of both her and her husband stopped calling and wouldn't say hello when passing on the street.

"Attitudes totally changed," Amber Holcomb said. "They acted like they didn't know me."

Justin Holcomb "clung to his Christian faith and he was embraced," said Air Force spouse Jessica Murphy, a former neighbor of the Holcombs at Bitburg. "When they disregard the other person who's been victimized, it put a really bad taste in [Amber's] mouth for Christianity, which was sort of new to her. She has a lot of reasons to feel angry at God."

Her husband had turned to God before during rough patches in their marriage, Amber Holcomb said, promising to be "a better Christian." After past transgressions, he would start reading the Bible and bring the family to church. But the pious lifestyle wouldn't last, Holcomb said.

"He had people fooled," she said.

Authentic conversion?

For his part, Justin Holcomb insists his religious devotion is authentic.

"Unfortunately, I can never change what has happened," he wrote from prison when asked by Stars and Stripes for comment for this story. "But my faith remains in the LORD that by His mercy and grace He will heal the wounds for my family."

Those who supported Justin Holcomb also believed his proclamations of faith to be genuine.

While the military prepared its criminal case against him, he found a second family in church. On Sunday mornings, he handed out bulletins during Protestant worship at the base chapel, and he joined off-base Bible studies several times a week.

In the July newsletter of The Navigators, a local ministry in Spangdahlem run

by Larry and Patricia Hutson, Justin Holcomb was described as a "growing godly man ... a new believer, though he went to church while growing up."

The newsletter passage continued: "There is an authenticity in the way we all could see God really working in Justin."

Yet, while the newsletter mentioned that Justin Holcomb was living apart from his wife and children — he had been moved to a base dormitory after his arrest — it called the separation "more of a mystery than a concern."

Larry Hutson declined to answer questions posed by Stars and Stripes about the Holcomb case.

Justin Holcomb also attended weekly Bible studies at The Hangar, an off-base hospitality house affiliated with the Cadence

International ministry, an evangelical mission agency dedicated to reaching out to military communities worldwide, according to the ministry's Web site.

The Spangdahlem chapter is led by Roger and Sheila Nielson, who sat behind Justin Holcomb during his court-martial in May. The Nielsons also declined to talk with Stars and Stripes about the case.

Murphy, a Christian, acknowledged that forgiveness and acceptance are supposed to be hallmarks of the Christian faith. But she said she's disappointed the local Christian organizations appeared to take sides and failed to reach out to Amber Holcomb.

"I never saw them come up to her [and ask] 'How are you doing?'" Murphy said. "I did see them praying with him, hugging him, encouraging him."

Respect for privacy

Amber Holcomb, a former airman herself, did have a small circle of supporters before the trial. Members of her husband's squadron dropped off a turkey at Thanksgiving and Christmas. The squadron commander loaned her a vehicle and looked after the family dog. A coach at her daughter's military school in Bitburg pitched in for traveling expenses to a regional sports tournament. The base also assigned a victim advocate to the family.

Amber Holcomb acknowledged that she didn't reach out to the evangelical groups.

But when she turned to the church, seeking help from the base chapel, she said she found no solace.

Her two eldest boys, then ages 13 and 10, were having trouble coping with their stepfather's crimes, and his absence.

"We were lost. We didn't know much about the Bible," Amber Holcomb said. She thought talking to a chaplain might help her sons.

"One chaplain, he just got me upset," said her oldest son, recalling how the chaplain kept asking him questions about his father. "'Do you still like him?' 'Do you want to move back with him?'"

Amber Holcomb didn't send the boys back. And the chapel didn't follow up with the family, she said.

For privacy reasons, military chaplains can't discuss what services they may or may not provide to individuals, said Maj. Gerald Snyder, the former 52nd Fighter Wing interim head chaplain. In cases where an alleged perpetrator and victim do seek help, they meet with separate chaplains, "maintaining strict confidentiality and safety for all parties," Snyder said.

But while chaplains counsel those who seek it, Snyder said, they don't typically make unsolicited house calls.

"You respect their individual freedom and privacy," Snyder said. "If you have a problem at home, you don't expect someone to call you up and offer to help you. We continually put out the message that we're available."

There was a perception among some who knew the family that Amber Holcomb didn't want help.

Master Sgt. Stephen Thiessen, 36, a weapons section flight chief with the 52nd Aircraft Maintenance Squadron at Spangdahlem and Amber Holcomb's former supervisor at a prior assignment at Davis-Monthan Air Force Base in Arizona, said he and his wife tried to support both Amber Holcomb and her husband and were eventually rebuffed by Amber Holcomb.

"She thought if you were trying to support Justin, you weren't supporting her," he said. "I don't think she was open to the help."

A wife's struggle

During Justin Holcomb's trial last May, his wife sat with her shoulders squared, her gaze expressionless and fixed straight ahead.

In her traditional Navajo turquoise dress, leggings and moccasins, she stood out in a courtroom filled with uniformed servicemembers and civilians. Her long black hair was pulled tightly in a bun. Laid across her lap was her grandmother's Navajo blanket.

She was unmoved when Justin Holcomb broke down sobbing while addressing the court.

"I let one weak moment in my life turn into the biggest mistake of my life," he testified, his voice cracking as he read from a six-page unsworn statement. At times he addressed his children directly.

"Why? I've asked myself that question over and over again. Why would I risk losing all of you ... my parental rights, to watch you grow up, to play games with you outside ...? Truthfully, I don't know why."

In addition to admitting to attempting to have intercourse with his stepdaughter in the bathroom, Justin Holcomb also confessed to fondling her under her T-shirt while she slept next to him during an overnight bus trip to Paris in November 2008.

In late July, former 3rd Air Force Commander Lt. Gen. Philip Breedlove, the convening authority for Justin Holcomb's court-martial, granted him two months of clemency off of his five-year prison sentence. Breedlove also approved a waiver that authorizes Amber Holcomb to receive her husband's E-1 pay and allowances for six months.

But starting over with five kids in a troubled economy stateside has been daunting, Amber Holcomb said, and the family is struggling financially. She's in school full time, using student loans at a local college to study to become a dental assistant.

She had hoped to end all contact with Justin Holcomb.

But when he sent a few letters to the family's former address at a military post office at Bitburg, the letters were forwarded to her, she said.

Amber Holcomb read the letters.

"He had the nerve to ask for a picture of me," she said.

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Karzai: U.S. must deal with weak government

KARZAI, FROM PAGE 1

Abdullah still may join forces with Karzai in a coalition government — U.S. officials have been privately pushing for such an arrangement — but outside analysts say regardless of the result, the tainted elections leave the Afghan government as a weak, questionable partner for international counterterrorism efforts.

"This is the only government we have to work with, so it's the best we have to work with," said retired Maj. Gen. Paul Eaton, senior adviser at the National Security Network.

"We need a viable partner, and it doesn't appear there are other options."

Still, White House officials seem content with that limited success for now.

Karzai's decision to agree to a runoff following the disputed summer elections showed he was open to reform — last month, Obama publicly hailed Karzai's decision as "an important step forward in ensuring a credible process" and a critical moment in Afghanistan's democratic development.

"We got most of what we needed with Karzai agreeing to respect the process," according to Brookings Institution senior fellow Michael O'Hanlon.

And U.S. officials have already begun a new focus on direct work with provincial and tribal leaders as a way to counter weaknesses in the central government.

Eaton said that approach could lessen some of the lingering concerns about the election, as local officials take a large role in the counterinsurgency effort.

But critics say that won't be enough.

Jorrit Kamminga, director of policy research at the International Council on Security and Development, said many voters inside Afghanistan saw the second election as a way to rally the public around a legitimate central government.

"Now it's even worse," he said. "A smart president would still see that Abdullah Abdullah still has 30 percent of the voters behind him, and find a way to include him in a coalition government. That could help them avoid ethnic tensions. But we still don't know."

And Wadham points out that even a coalition government comes with potential in-fighting and power-sharing problems, although she still sees that as the best alternative available.

"The U.S. and NATO still have to figure out what to do," she said, "and adding more troops isn't going to solve this problem."

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FRAIDOUN POOYAA/AP

A supporter of Afghan President Hamid Karzai dances on Monday as people celebrate Karzai's victory in Herat, Afghanistan. Afghanistan's election commission has canceled Saturday's presidential runoff and proclaimed President Hamid Karzai victor.

U.N., U.S. congratulate Karzai

By DIANNA CAHN
Stars and Stripes

KABUL — Afghanistan's election commission on Monday declared President Hamid Karzai the winner of tainted presidential elections and canceled a runoff after his main rival withdrew from the race.

The announcement ended months of uncertainty in the war-torn country following Aug. 20 presidential elections that were called into question over reports of widespread vote-rigging and fraud.

But it also raised questions about the legitimacy of a president who had been forced into a runoff after hundreds of thousands of votes in his favor were declared invalid and who would enter a second term in office without a full majority of the vote.

Rival candidate Abdullah withdrew on Sunday, saying he was convinced that the same problems that marred the first round of voting would prevent fair elections on Saturday.

Azzizullah Lodin, chairman of the Independent Elections Commission, said at a news conference that the commission determined that with only one candidate remaining, the Afghan constitution did not require a second round of voting.

"According to the constitution of Afghanistan, if in the first round, nobody gets 50 percent, the elections should go to a second round," Lodin told reporters. "The second round ... should be conducted between two candidates. If only one is willing to participate, the elections should be decided by the Independent Elections Commission."

Lodin said the commission also took into account the threat of violence that surrounded the vote. Taliban insurgents launched a number of bombings and attacks ahead of the Aug. 20 vote, and claimed responsibility for a suicide attack on a United Nations compound last week that left eight civilians and three attackers dead.

Abdullah had wanted the elections commission, which counted the ballots, and several cabinet ministers replaced ahead of the runoff because he said they were heavily biased in favor of Karzai.

Asked whether they were concerned about how their decision declaring Karzai winner might be perceived, commission members insisted that they acted in good faith.

"I am not satisfied by the way the elections were received by the Afghan people," said election commission member Zekria Barekzai. "The system is not flawed, but the implementation of elections in the middle of a war is a huge challenge."

International leaders responded almost immediately with congratulatory messages that hinted at relief.

In recent months U.S. and coalition forces have been battling an intensifying insurgency and the violent toll on soldier's lives had withered public support for the war in the United States. President Barack Obama has delayed a decision on whether to answer the request of his top general in Afghanistan for tens of thousands of additional troops until the political situation in Kabul was resolved.

U.S. leaders had shunned Karzai in recent months for being corrupt and pressured the Afghan leader to accept the runoff when evidence of massive voter fraud became clear.

But U.S. and United Nations leaders appeared to rally around Karzai following Abdullah's announcement, and called for time for Karzai to strengthen the rule of law.

"We congratulate President Karzai on his victory in this historic election and look forward to working with him, his new Administration, the Afghan people and our partners in the international community to support Afghanistan's progress towards institutional reforms, security and prosperity," said a statement from the U.S. Embassy in Kabul. "We also congratulate Dr. Abdul-

lah and all the other candidates for their efforts to strengthen Afghanistan's democratic future."

U.N. Secretary-General Ban Ki-moon flew to Kabul on Monday in the wake of the attack last week on the U.N. compound and met with both candidates following Abdullah's withdrawal. He said he came to show his solidarity with both U.N. staff and the Afghan people and vowed that U.N. efforts in Afghanistan would not be deterred.

He also issued a statement welcoming the IEC's decision to

forego a runoff and congratulated Karzai.

"This has been a difficult election process for Afghanistan and lessons must be learned," Ban said. "Afghanistan now faces significant challenges and the new president must move swiftly to form a government that is able to command the support of both the Afghan people and the international community."

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Vessel built with steel from 9/11 wreckage makes NYC port call

By DEEPTI HAJELA
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — The new Navy assault ship USS New York, built with World Trade Center steel, arrived in its namesake city Monday with a 21-gun salute near the site of the 2001 terrorist attack.

The bow of the \$1 billion ship, built in Louisiana, contains about 7.5 tons of steel from the fallen towers.

"It's a transformation ... from something really twisted and ugly," said Rosaleen Tallon, who lost her firefighter brother, Sean, on 9/11. "I'm proud that our military is using that steel."

JoAnn Atlas, who lost her husband, fire Lt. Gregg Atlas, draped a flag-themed banner along the fence. The names of emergency workers who died were written on the red stripes.

"We have to remember. It's a way to honor them," she said.

Observer Nancy DiGiacomo felt compelled to watch the ship arrive. "I just thought it was im-

portant to see. ... From that, something else can come of it."

Lt. Cmdr. Colette Murphy, a Navy spokeswoman, said she was excited for those serving on board to see the city's "awe-inspiring" welcome.

At Pier 88, Mayor Michael Bloomberg said the USS New York couldn't have a more fitting name, representing freedom, courage and resilience.

"This ship is actually a physical representation of that spirit with steel from the World Trade Center built into its bow so every friend that sets foot on it and every foe that dares challenge it will

"I'm proud that our military is using that steel."

Rosaleen Tallon,
Sister of firefighter who
died on 9/11

feel its power and know that it is literally made from the heart and soul of the city that has scarified so much," the mayor said.

Of the 361 sailors serving aboard the ship, around 13 percent are from New York state, which is higher than would normally be the case, Murphy said. There were many requests from Navy personnel to serve on the ship.

After the ground zero stop, the ship — escorted by about two dozen tugboats and other vessels — headed up the Hudson River toward the George Washington Bridge. After a U-turn there, it headed south to Pier 88. An official commissioning ceremony is scheduled for Saturday.

The New York will remain in the city through Veterans Day and then head to Norfolk, Va., for about a year of crew training and exercises, Murphy said.

The ship is 684 feet long and can carry as many as 800 Marines. Its flight deck can handle helicopters and the MV-22 Osprey tilt-rotor aircraft.



SETH WENIG/AP

Above: The USS New York, built with World Trade Center steel, passes the Statue of Liberty on Monday. The bow of the \$1 billion ship, built in Louisiana, contains about 7.5 tons of steel from the fallen towers.

The Right: NYC first responders along with families of Sept. 11 victims and the public watch as the new U.S. Navy assault ship arrived for a port visit to the city.

RUTH FREMSON, THE NEW YORK TIMES/AP



'Men of the noblest heart and the greatest courage'

Texas WWII vets reunite with Japanese-American rescuers

By JUAN A. LOZANO
The Associated Press

HOUSTON — Even though it was 65 years ago, Al Tortolano clearly recalls the one thought that ran through his mind as his unit was surrounded by German troops during World War II.

"About the only thing you could think of was family. Will I ever see my family again?" remembered Tortolano, 88, part of what was dubbed the "Lost Battalion."

It was October 1944 and Tortolano was part of the 1st Battalion, 141st Regiment, 36th Infantry Division — a Texas military unit surrounded by enemy fighters in France's Vosges Mountains.

The prayers of Tortolano and others in the 1st Battalion were answered by the Army's 442nd Regimental Combat Team, a unit made up almost entirely of Japanese-Americans. The 442nd broke through the German ranks and suffered 814 casualties as

it rescued 217 men.

"I still can't thank my fellow veterans enough for what they did," said Tortolano, who was among 40 members from both units who gathered Sunday in Houston, marking the 65th anniversary of the rescue.

Jimmie Kanaya, 89, a veteran of the 442nd, said there is a permanent bond of brotherhood between the men of both units. "We feel like we are part of each other. We became one," he said.

Adm. Mike Mullen, chairman of the Joint Chiefs of Staff, said the veterans of the 442nd are

"men of the noblest heart and the greatest courage."

The 442nd became the most decorated unit in U.S. military history, he said.

"Their courage, valor, dedication are values we hold dear as a country — and to do this in what

clearly was one of our darkest hours," Mullen said, referencing that many of the 442nd's members had families who were held in internment camps by the U.S. government while they served in the military.

"We had to prove we were loyal

Americans," Kanaya said, noting that men who wore the same uniform he did were guarding his parents and sister at an internment camp in Idaho.

"We were caught between a rock and a hard place. We just had to give it our all."



Ret. Sgt. Jack Wilson, 85, of Rockport, Ind., center, and other World War II veterans from the Texas' 1st Battalion, 141st Infantry Regiment, and the Army's Japanese-American 442nd Regimental Combat Team sit together Sunday during an event in Houston marking the 65th anniversary of the battle where the 442nd rescued the 141st from German soldiers in northern France.

PHOTOS BY SHARON STEINMANN/AP

A black and white photograph showing a group of men, some in military uniforms, standing outside a building. A man in a white lab coat is prominent on the left. A motorcycle is parked in the foreground.

Pakistani rescue workers prepare to remove a body from the site of a bomb explosion outside a bank Monday in Rawalpindi, Pakistan.

Clinton also was expected to meet separately with Saudi Foreign Minister Prince Saud al-Faisal.

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BULLIT MARQUEZ/AP

Residents use small boats to get to dry areas following flooding brought about by Typhoon Mirinae on Saturday in Santa Cruz, Philippines. Mirinae made landfall in Vietnam on Monday afternoon, toppling trees and utility poles. No deaths were reported, but the national weather forecast center warned of possible flash floods and landslides in mountainous districts.

Tropical storm slams into Vietnam

Downgraded Mirinae causes blackouts, evacuations in coastal areas

The Associated Press

HANOI, Vietnam — Tropical Storm Mirinae slammed into Vietnam's central coast Monday, unleashing heavy rains and winds and forcing more than 80,000 people to evacuate before losing steam as it moved inland.

The storm brought winds of 63 miles per hour as it made landfall in Phu Yen province Monday afternoon, toppling trees and utility poles, causing blackouts, said Nguyen Ba Loc, deputy chairman of the provincial People's Committee.

The storm lost force and was downgraded to a tropical depression as it moved deeper inland later Monday, according to the national weather forecast center.

No deaths were reported, but the weather center warned of possible flash floods and landslides in mountainous districts.

Mirinae hit the Philippines with typhoon strength over the weekend, killing 20 people before losing strength as it moved across the South China Sea toward Vietnam.

Both Vietnam and the Philippines are still recovering from Typhoon Ketsana, which brought the Philippine capital of Manila its worst flooding in 40 years when it struck in September. Ketsana killed 160 people in Vietnam.

In the Philippines, Ketsana and two later storms killed more than 900. Some 87,000 people who fled the storms were still living in temporary shelters when Mirinae struck.

Mirinae left 20 dead, mostly from drowning, in six Philippine provinces. Four people were missing, disaster response officials said.

But the storm did not keep the largely Roman Catholic country from paying re-

spects to the dead on Sunday's All Saints Day. Huge crowds jammed cemeteries, with some people visiting still-flooded ones by boat.

Forecasters said they were watching a low pressure area about 186 miles off the eastern coast of the northern Philippines that along with northeastern monsoon winds could bring rain and gale-force winds to the mountainous region.

Strong winds and huge waves destroyed three fishing boats and overturned about a dozen others off northern Cagayan province early Monday, tossing 39 fishermen to the rough sea, Cagayan disaster official Bonifacio Cuarteros said.

Most of the fishermen swam back to shore or were rescued by fellow fishermen. One remained missing, Cuarteros said.

N. Korea demanding direct talks with U.S.

BY JAE-SOON CHANG
The Associated Press

SEOUL — North Korea issued a veiled threat Monday to increase its nuclear arsenal if U.S. officials do not quickly agree to the one-on-one talks that the communist regime is demanding.

The regime's impatience came days after No. 2 nuclear negotiator Ri Gun came away from meetings with Washington envoy Sung Kim without an agreement to hold bilateral talks.

"If the U.S. is not ready to sit at a negotiating table with the [North], it will go its own way," the North's Foreign Ministry said in a statement carried by Pyongyang's official Korean Central News Agency.

The statement did not elaborate, but it was widely seen as a warning that the North will bolster its nuclear stockpile — a brinkmanship tactic that the communist nation has often employed.

On Monday, the North's ministry also said that "meaningful progress" on a nuclear-free Korean peninsula is possible — "if the hostile relations between the (North) and the U.S. are settled and confidence is built between them."

Washington has maintained that it is willing to engage North Korea in bilateral talks — if they lead to the resumption of the stalled six-nation disarmament talks.

North Korea's Ri, who was in the U.S. at the invitation of private organizations, said discussions with the U.S. envoy were "useful." South Korea's Yonhap news agency reported. Still, both KCNA and State Department officials in Washington said no decision had been made on holding bilateral talks.

The North agreed in 2007 to disable its nuclear facilities in exchange for energy aid and political concessions. Pyongyang halted the process and later abandoned the pact after receiving most of the promised energy aid and concessions.

U.N. nuclear agency head wants quick response from Iran

The Associated Press

UNITED NATIONS — The head of the U.N. nuclear agency has urged Iran to clarify its response to a proposal that would have Tehran ship most of its nuclear material abroad for processing.

Addressing the U.N. General Assembly on Monday, Mohamed ElBaradei said "a number of questions and allegations relevant to the nature" of Iran's program remained, and he called for confidence-building measures on all sides.

The U.S. and other powers are concerned Iran may be enriching uranium for use in nuclear weapons, while Tehran insists its program is strictly for peaceful purposes.

Iranian officials have been

sending mixed signals over the plan proposed under talks brokered by the U.N.'s International Atomic Energy Agency, which ElBaradei headed until stepping down Monday.

Iran wants to buy ready-made fuel for its research reactor, a senior Iranian envoy said Monday — the latest indication that Tehran is rejecting a U.S.-backed plan that would have the Islamic Republic ship most of its enriched uranium out of the country.

"We want to buy the fuel from any supplier," said Ali Asghar Soltanieh, Iran's chief representative to the International Atomic Energy Agency.

Soltanieh, however, evaded a direct answer when asked if that meant Iran was rejecting an international plan to have Tehran export most of its enriched ura-

nium stockpile and have that material shipped back as fuel for its research reactor.

The plan aims to delay Iran's ability to make nuclear arms by sending most of the material needed to make weapons out of the country.

Soltanieh said the Iranian pro-

posal created a "historical juncture" for countries discussing an enrichment deal with Iran to "prove their political goodwill."

Since its clandestine enrichment program was revealed, Iran has amassed more than 3,300 pounds of low-enriched uranium.

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7 indicted for helping Madrid bombers flee

The Associated Press

MADRID — A Spanish judge indicted seven people Monday for allegedly helping several of the suspected Madrid train bombers flee after the 2004 terror attacks.

National Court Judge Eloy Velasco charged six of the seven with belonging to an unidentified terrorist group, while one was accused of collaboration.

Velasco said the seven provided money, cover and information to help six men

evade justice after allegedly participating in the March 11, 2004, bombings. The morning rush hour attacks on commuter trains headed for the capital's main southern station killed 191 people and wounded about 1,800.

Four of the seven indicted are free, one is in custody and the whereabouts of two others are unknown. Five are from Morocco, and one each from Algeria and Tunisia.

The court named the suspects as Zohair Khadiri, Taha Seghrouchni, Hammad Lah-

sini, Abdelkrim Lebchina and Abdelaziz El Merabit — all from Morocco — Djilali Boussiri from Algeria and Nassreddine Ben Laidne Amri of Tunisia.

Responsibility for the attacks, perpetrated with 10 bombs hidden in backpacks, was claimed by Muslim militants who claimed they were avenging the presence of Spanish peacekeepers in Iraq and Afghanistan.

In 2007, 28 people, mainly from North Africa, went on trial, and 21 of them were convicted of taking part in the terror

bombings.

The judge said the seven knew that Mohamed Afalah, Daoud Ouhmane, Said Berraj and Otman El Mouib, Mohamed Belhadj and Abdelilah Hriz had participated in the bombings but did nothing to turn them in to the police.

Afalah, Daoud Ouhmane are believed to have died later in suicide bombings in Iraq. Belhadj and Abdelilah Hriz were later detained, while Berraj and Otman El Mouib have never been found.



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EDUCATION

More college presidents joining millionaire's club

BY JUSTIN POPE

The Associated Press

The fast-growing group of millionaire private college and university presidents hit a new record in recent years, and it's likely more college leaders will make seven-figure salaries once the slumping economy rebounds.

A record 23 presidents received more than \$1 million in total compensation in fiscal 2008, according to an analysis of the most recently available data published Monday by the Chronicle of Higher Education. A record one in four in the study of 419 colleges' mandatory IRS filings made at least \$500,000.

Topping the list is Shirley Ann Jackson at Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute in Troy, N.Y., whose total compensation the Chronicle pegged at nearly \$1.6 million. She was followed by David Sargent at Suffolk University in Boston, who made \$1.5 million. However, one-third of his compensation had been reported as deferred compensation last year and counted as salary this year — an example of the difficulty of making straightforward compensation comparisons.

Overall, median compensation for the group rose 6.5 percent to \$359,000, and 15.5 percent at major private research universities, to \$628,000. The figures essentially cover the 2007-2008 academic year.

Those averages have almost certainly flattened or perhaps fallen since then, with numerous presidents — including Jackson — taking voluntary pay cuts this year amid widespread budget-cutting at their institutions.

But experts say the upward trend will almost certainly resume eventually. It may frustrate parents who are paying higher tuition, but experts insist the sala-

ries reflect supply and demand.

"The baby boomers are retiring," said Ray Cotton, a Washington D.C.-based lawyer and expert on presidential contracts and compensation. "Boards are in a scramble competing against each other for the remaining available talent."

But the 24-7 nature of the job and the stresses stemming from the recession have made it unappealing to prospective candidates.

"Some people just don't want anything to do with the job because it keeps them up at night," said Chronicle editor Jeffrey Selinger. "In order to attract and retain good talent they're going to have to pay for it. They may take a little break now because of the economy, but these pieces are still in place."

Still, colleges will have to absorb the public relations hit that comes with offering seven-figure compensation to an academic leader. The average price of tuition plus room and board at four-year private colleges surpassed \$39,000 last year, according to the latest figures from the College Board.

The Chronicle noted that 58 institutions charged more than \$50,000 this year, up from just five last year. A number of those schools pay their presidents more than \$1 million, including New York University, Columbia and Vanderbilt.

The Chronicle also identified three former presidents who received compensation of more than \$1 million in 2007-2008, topped by retired George Washington University president Stephen Trachtenberg, whose benefits package was valued at \$3.67 million. It identified 85 colleges paying at least a former president or other high-ranking official at least \$200,000, typically in deferred compensation and bonuses.



Jackson

Big earners

Leaders in Total Compensation at Private Colleges, 2007-8. Source: IRS tax reports analyzed by the Chronicle of Higher Education.

1. **Shirley Ann Jackson**, Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute: \$1,598,247
2. **David Sargent**, Suffolk University: \$1,496,593
3. **Steadman Upham**, University of Tulsa: \$1,485,275
4. **Richard Meyers**, Webster University: \$1,429,738
5. **Cornelius M. Kerwin**, American University: \$1,419,339
6. **Lee C. Bollinger**, Columbia: \$1,380,035
7. **Donald V. DeRosa**, University of the Pacific: \$1,350,743
8. **John E. Sexton**, New York University: \$1,297,475
9. **Robert Bottoms**, DePaul University: \$1,296,455
10. **Jerry C. Lee**, National University: \$1,189,777

Note: Meyers and Bottoms are no longer serving as presidents of the respective universities. Total compensation may include deferred compensation and other benefits and is not necessarily take-home salary. Kerwin, who was named president in 2007, was provost for much of the period covered.

The Associated Press

Study skills

College-bound students boost skills in boot camp

BY DANIEL DE VISE

The Washington Post

WASHINGTON — Khawar Malik had written just one 10-page paper in four years at DuVal High School in Lanham, Md., and his teacher had given him an entire year to finish it.

High school left him unprepared for college. So, Malik, 19, entered the University of Maryland through its Academic Achievement Programs division. He spent six summer weeks in the academic equivalent of boot camp, learning all the reading, writing, math and study skills he would need to keep pace with other freshmen. By the end of the sixth week, he had written another 10-page paper and several shorter ones. Today, he is an English major.

"If I didn't have this program, I wouldn't be here right now," said Malik, a sophomore with a 4.0 grade-point average.

The federal Student Support Services program, launched during the Nixon administration, is part of a larger effort to help disadvantaged students overcome academic and cultural barriers to success in higher education. The program is part of TRIO, a group

of national initiatives that have proven their ability to raise the odds that a disadvantaged student will stay in college, get good grades and graduate.

"You can give them all the money in the world," said Arnold Mitchem, president of the Council for Opportunity in Education, a nonprofit organization in Washington, "but if you don't address the confidence issues, the skills issue, you're not going to make it."

At the University of Maryland, the TRIO program is housed in an academic building across from Memorial Chapel. On one Wednesday morning, students popped in and out of small classrooms to learn study skills and seek supplementary instruction in reading and math. Instructors teach college-level material, but at a slower pace.

The six-week boot camp is the starting point for about 100 freshmen a year at Maryland, students who otherwise would not be admitted. Typically, they have good grades but lower SAT scores than other U-Md. students, and they come from high schools that offer less-rigorous classes. All but a handful make it through the summer program and gain freshman status.

Amy Koman, 18, left, of Baltimore, studies with her tutor, Christina Scott, at the University of Maryland in College Park.

SARAH L. VOISIN/Washington Post



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Paramount Pictures

"Paranormal Activity," which was produced for \$15,000, is doing so well at the box office, it's scary.

Not normal

Oren Peli is Red Bull in human form. His movie, "Paranormal Activity," is causing sleepless nights the likes of which haven't been seen since the sleeper hit "The Blair Witch Project" first spooked viewers 10 years ago.

Even adults who can doze after seeing the haunted-house film are suddenly suspicious of creaky floorboards, stray shudders or noises, or any door that swings open or closed without benefit of human hand or window breeze.

"Paranormal Activity," accurately being called the next "Blair Witch Project," is about a young California couple trying to document the evil spirits in their home. Unlike "The Amityville Horror" or "The Haunting in Connecticut," both inspired by supposedly true stories, this one is a figment of Peli's imagination, and the demonic presence doesn't come with the house.

The frightening force has been shadowing the woman since she was a child; if she moves, it finds her, and it's more ferocious and frightening than ever. She is a college student named Katie, who lives with her day-trader-boyfriend Micah, in suburban San Diego.

Peli found his leads the traditional way with casting calls and hired Katie Featherston as Katie and Micah Sloat as Micah. The filmmaker used his own San Diego house as the movie's main (and only) location during a single week of shooting in 2006.

"We usually film during the night and, in the morning, sleep," although there wasn't much snoozing given all the editing and reviewing of footage he needed to do. Peli then spent a year winnowing the nearly 70 hours he amassed.

Asked if anything freaky happened, as famously occurred during "The Exorcist," Peli said. "Actually, no. I wish it did; it would have been a good story."

An even better story, however, is how a movie made for roughly \$15,000 made \$33.7 million before Halloween. "We never actually had an accurate accounting," he says, but that's in the ballpark.

Peli, a native of Israel who moved to the States 19 years ago, says he once was spooked by "anything that had to do with ghosts, demons, possessions, since I watched 'Exorcist' as a kid. It totally, totally freaked me out."

It had been the move to his San Diego home that inspired Peli. "I never lived in a single detached family home," he said, so he was conscious of every noise at night, particularly of the house settling and items slipping from shelves.

That led to thinking how a video camera might document the source of the sounds, which led to the movie. He credits "This Is Spinal Tap" and "The Blair Witch Project" as influencing a movie that purports to be true but isn't.

"Blair Witch," released in 1999, was about three student filmmakers who disappeared in October 1994 while

Small movie's word-of-mouth campaign frighteningly successful

shooting a documentary about the Blair Witch in the Maryland woods.

Although some early moviegoers were convinced they were watching a real documentary, it was a grand and lucrative put-on. The faux frightfest was made for a paltry \$35,000, Artisan Entertainment bought the rights for \$1 million and the movie took in \$130 million at the box office and more on DVD. DreamWorks bought "Paranormal" for a reported \$350,000.

Peli calls comparisons a compliment, adding, "Hopefully, we will have the same success, and so we're not shying away from it."



Los Angeles Times

Oren Peli says living in his first detached family home inspired his creepy hit movie.

Both "Blair Witch" and "Open Water," a low-budget 2004 summer sensation about scuba-diving vacationers left behind in shark-infested waters, inspired Peli, who previously worked in video-game programming. They proved that a limited budget, video camera and cool idea could allow a first-time filmmaker to give it a shot.

In late September, Paramount opened the R-rated "Paranormal" in select college towns with midnight screenings and has been widening the net each week.

The Web has been crucial to the success, since it provided a platform for users to demand the movie play in their cities while others

tweeted and fretted on Facebook. Even Steven Spielberg added to the legend and lore.

A story in the Los Angeles Times reported that Spielberg was certain his copy was haunted.

The Times wrote: "As the story goes, Spielberg had taken a 'Paranormal Activity' DVD to his Pacific Palisades estate, and not long after he watched it, the door to his empty bedroom inexplicably locked from the inside, forcing him to summon a locksmith."

The moral of the story is it can be better to be in an impersonal theater in the company of quaking strangers than in your own palatial home, even if you can summon a locksmith. Or an exorcist. Or a marketing genius.

— Barbara Vancheri/Pittsburgh Post-Gazette

Rocker Navarro nothing to write home about



AP

Dating rock guitarist Dave Navarro isn't anything to brag about. His current girlfriend, Izabella Miko, keeps their romance a secret from her family because they may not approve of the thrice-divorced Navarro's bad boy past. She even hides his things when her parents come over to visit.

— Wireless Flash

Even the girlfriend of rocker Dave Navarro (pictured) is ashamed of him.

'This Is It' turns into real thriller

"Michael Jackson's This Is It" pulled in \$101 million worldwide in its first five days, and distributor Sony is extending the farewell performance film beyond its planned two-week run.

The film was the No. 1 Halloween thriller domestically with a \$21.3 million opening weekend, according to studio estimates Sunday.

The previous weekend's No. 1 movie, Paramount's low-budget horror sensation "Paranormal Activity," slipped to No. 2 with \$16.5 million, lifting its total to \$84.8 million.

"This Is It" raised its domestic total to \$32.5 million. The movie pulled in \$68.5 million overseas, including \$10.4 million in Japan, \$6.3 million in Germany, \$5.8 million in France and \$3.2 million in China.

"He's just loved everywhere on the planet," said Rory Bruer, head of distribution for Sony.

In Great Britain, where Jackson had planned a marathon series of 50 London concerts starting last July, the movie earned \$7.6 million.

"This Is It" captures Jackson in behind-the-scenes performances in the weeks before his death last June, as he rehearsed his biggest hits for the London shows.

"This Is It" originally was scheduled for a theatrical run of only two weeks. The studio has extended it a few more weeks domestically, leaving it in theaters through Thanksgiving weekend, one of the year's busiest moviegoing times.

— The Associated Press

Rogen: Aliens? Get real

"Monsters Vs. Aliens" voice actor Seth Rogen has clear-cut theories about both monsters and aliens. The funnyman believes "monsters are real" and may be hiding under his bed, but aliens, on the other hand, are "ridiculous."

— Wireless Flash



DreamWorks Pictures

Rogen and his voiceover character, B.O.B.

IN THE STATES

Man charged with killing 4 in Mayberry model town

By Alysia Patterson
The Associated Press

MOUNT AIRY, N.C. — Police arrested a convicted kidnapper early Monday in the fatal shooting of four men in the town that inspired the idyllic community of Mayberry on the 1960s TV series “The Andy Griffith Show.”

Marcos Chavez Gonzalez was charged with four counts of murder in the slayings late Sunday outside Woods TV in Mount Airy, about 100 miles north of Charlotte, police said.

The town, population 8,700, is the hometown of Andy Griffith and has built a tourist trade on nostalgia for the show, which continues to thrive in syndication. The four were shot in the shadow of a water tower that says “Welcome to Mount Airy” and has a picture of Griffith and Opie, his son on the show.

“This is Mayberry ... Andy Griffith’s house is in spitting distance here,” said Michael Wood, one of the owners of Woods TV.

Police do not believe the shootings were random, but Mount Airy Police Chief Dale Watson said they did not plan to release



Gonzalez

“This is Mayberry ... Andy Griffith’s house is in spitting distance here.”

Michael Wood
an owner of Woods TV in Mount Airy, N.C., which is near where four people were shot Sunday

a motive. Jose Armando Hernandez, 46, said through a translator that three of the victims were his nephews. He said his family is “destroyed” over the deaths, which he said stemmed from a problem with a woman. Police would not confirm that or identify the victims.

Gonzalez, 29, was arrested without incident at a motel about 50 miles northeast of the town, Henry County, Va., Sheriff Lane Perry said Monday. Gonzalez was unarmed when he surrendered just before 4 a.m. to officers who had surrounded the motel.

He was being held in the Henry County jail on charges that included being a fugitive from justice from North Carolina. He indicated he would not fight extradition, Perry said. Jail workers said it was not clear whether he had an attorney.

State prison records show Gonzalez was released more than two years ago after serving more than

two years on a 2002 conviction for kidnapping a minor and a probation violation.

State records show the felony kidnapping charge required Gonzalez to register as a sex offender. North Carolina’s post-release supervision of Gonzalez ended last November, Correction Department spokesman Keith Acree said.

Nursing supervisor Sue Coe at Northern Hospital of Surry County confirmed that two people died at the store around 2:30 p.m. Sunday. She said two who were wounded died at the hospital, just across the street from the store. Woods TV sells televisions and satellite systems.

By Monday, someone had set up a makeshift memorial with flowers. Mourners gathered there and some women lay on the ground crying. Someone christened the memorial with a bottle of Corona beer, which sat half empty next to brightly colored candles with photos of saints on them.

Gary Chilton, an owner of Chilton Insurance Group, which shares the building with Woods TV, said the crime is not indicative of the usually quiet town.

“I’m not sure it’s totally sunk in because it’s so unusual. On any given Sunday there is nothing here in this parking lot. There’s nothing here at all,” he said. “My biggest question is why in this parking lot at all. Why Woods TV parking lot?”

Higher taxes for the most wealthy

Under the House Democrats’ health care plan and President Barack Obama’s budget proposal, a family making \$5 million a year would get a tax increase of more than \$430,000.

Household income	\$300,000	\$450,000	\$800,000	\$5 million
Single, no children	Tax now	66,500	105,100	200,600
	Proposed	66,500	110,200	240,300
Married, 2 children	Tax now	57,100	102,600	190,800
	Proposed	57,100	102,600	214,800
*Under 17 years old				

SOURCE: Deloitte Tax

AP

Health plan to hit rich with tax hike

5.4 percent spike in House Democrats’ bill is estimated to raise \$460B over 10 years

By Stephen Ohlemacher
The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — The typical family would be spared higher taxes from the House Democratic plan to overhaul health care, and their low-income neighbors could come out ahead.

Their wealthy counterparts, however, face big tax increases that could eventually hit future generations of taxpayers who are less wealthy.

The bill is funded largely from a 5.4 percent tax on individuals making more than \$500,000 a year and couples making more than \$1 million, starting in 2011. The tax increase would hit only 0.3 percent of tax filers, raising \$460.5 billion over the next 10 years, according to congressional estimates.

But unlike other income tax rates, the new tax would not be indexed for inflation. As incomes rise over time because of inflation, more families — and more small business owners — would be hit by the tax.

“Twenty years from now, we’re going to see more and more small businesses ensnared into paying higher taxes,” said Rep. Dave Camp of Michigan, the top Republican on the tax-writing House Ways and Means Committee.

The tax would hit only 1.2 percent of taxpayers who claim business income on their returns, according to the estimates by the nonpartisan Joint Committee on Taxation. But that percentage would grow as business owners’ nominal incomes rise with inflation.

In 2011, a family of four with an income of \$800,000 a year would get a \$24,000 tax increase, when the new tax is combined with an increase in the top two tax brackets proposed by President Barack Obama and other scheduled tax changes, according to an analysis by Deloitte Tax. That’s a 12.5 percent increase in federal income taxes.

A family of four making \$5 million a year would see a \$434,500 tax increase, about a 32 percent increase, according to the analysis.

“These are very big numbers

and very high effective tax rates,” said Clint Stretch, a tax policy expert at Deloitte Tax.

The new health care tax would come on top of other tax increases for the wealthy proposed by Obama. The top marginal income tax rate now is 35 percent, on income above \$372,950. Obama wants to boost the top rate to 39.6 percent in 2011 by allowing some of the tax cuts enacted under former President George W. Bush to expire.

House Democrats said they are proud that they found a way to finance the health care package largely from a tax on the wealthy. There is, however, little appetite for a millionaire’s tax in the Senate, and some tax experts think it is a mistake to tap only rich people to pay for services used by all.

“If health care is a benefit that is worth having, then it’s worth paying for,” said William Gale, who was an adviser to President George H.W. Bush’s Council of Economic Advisers and is now co-director of the Tax Policy Center. “This gives the impression that it’s only worth having if someone else pays for it.”

Obama promised during the presidential campaign that he would not increase taxes on couples making less than \$250,000. However, the health care bill would impose new taxes on people who don’t buy qualified health insurance, including those making less than \$250,000 a year.

Under the bill, individuals are required to obtain health insurance coverage or pay penalties, which are described as taxes in the legislation. The penalty would be equal to the cost of an average insurance plan or a 2.5 percent tax on incomes above the standard threshold for filing a tax return, whichever is less. There would be waivers for financial hardships.

Republicans argue that the penalties violate Obama’s tax pledge, and they liken the millionaire’s tax to the Alternative Minimum Tax, which Congress enacted in 1969 to ensure that wealthy Americans cannot use loopholes to avoid paying any income taxes.

Ford posts \$1B profit

The Associated Press

DEARBORN, Mich. — Ford, the only Detroit automaker to dodge direct government aid and bankruptcy court, surprised investors with net income of nearly \$1 billion in the third quarter and forecast a “solidly profitable” 2011.

Earnings were fueled by U.S. market share gains, cost cuts and the Cash for Clunkers program, the automaker said Monday. Ford’s shares rose 68 cents, or 9.8 percent, to \$7.68 in morning

trading.

The latest results signal that Ford’s turnaround is on more solid ground. The company lost more than \$14.6 billion last year and hasn’t posted a full-year profit since 2005.

“That’s a huge deal,” said Chief Financial Officer Lewis Booth.

Ford’s plan to create demand and get better prices for its products, coupled with cost cuts, gave the company confidence that it will make money in 2011, Booth said.



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Ford Motor Co. earned a surprise \$1 billion in the third quarter, fueled by U.S. market share gains, cost cuts and the government’s Cash for Clunkers rebates.

EXCHANGE RATES

Military rates	
Japanese yen (Nov. 3)	89.00
South Korean won (Nov. 3)	1,152.00
Euro costs (Nov. 3)	\$1.5156
Dollar buys (Nov. 3)	€ 0.6598
British pound (Nov. 3)	\$1.68
Commercial rates	
Bahrain (Dinar)	0.3771
British pound	\$1.6361
Canada (Dollar)	1.0774
China (Yuan)	6.8289
Denmark (Krone)	5.0378
Egypt (Pound)	5.4708
Euro	\$1.4780/0.6766
Hong Kong (Dollar)	7.7501
Hungary (Forint)	186.74
Israel (Shekel)	3.7845
Japan (Yen)	90.48
Kuwait (Dinar)	0.2862
Norway (Krone)	5.7205
Philippines (Peso)	47.60
Poland (Zloty)	2.88
Saudi Arabia (Riyal)	3.7501
Singapore (Dollar)	1.3988
South Korea (Won)	1,182.50
Switzerland (Franc)	1.0213
Thailand (Baht)	33.44
Turkey (New Lira)	1.5006
(Military exchange rates are those available to customers at military banking facilities in the country of issuance for Japan, South Korea, Germany, the Netherlands and the United Kingdom. For nonlocal currency exchange rates (i.e., purchasing British pounds in Germany), check with your local military banking facility. Commercial rates are interbank rates provided for reference when buying currency. All figures are foreign currencies to one dollar, except for the British pound, which is represented in dollars-to-pound, and the euro, which is dollars-to-euro.)	

INTEREST RATES

Prime rate	3.25
Discount rate	0.50
Federal funds market rate	0.00-0.25
3-month bill	0.05
30-year bond	4.34
Sources: Bank of America, The Associated Press	

Bridge reopens in California

The San Francisco-Oakland Bay Bridge reopened Monday following emergency repairs. The span was closed for nearly six days after 5,000 pounds of metal crashed down into traffic when two rods and a crossbar — installed in September to repair a crack — failed. The latest fix includes anti-vibration dampeners and measures to prevent parts from falling on the bridge if they fail again, officials said.

JEFF CHIU/AP



Ohio police try to ID 6 bodies

The Associated Press

CLEVELAND — Investigators trying to identify six bodies found in the home of a convicted rapist in Cleveland are focusing the inquiry on eight or nine missing women.

Authorities reported Monday that all six were black females and each had been strangled. Previously, two were identified as black and five as strangling

victims.

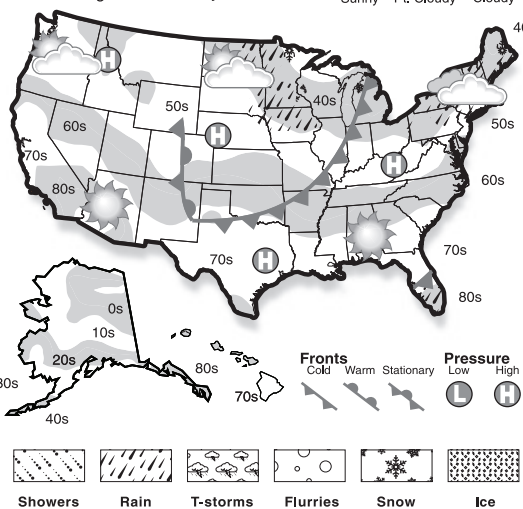
Cuyahoga County Coroner Frank Miller said Monday it could take days or weeks to identify the bodies using dental records or a DNA mouth-swab sample from a relative.

The bodies were discovered last week after police went to the home of 50-year-old Anthony Sowell on a rape and felonious assault warrant. He was arrested Saturday.

WEATHER OUTLOOK

National forecast

Forecast highs for Tuesday, Nov. 3



Another Quiet Weather Day

Fairly quiet weather activity will develop through much of the nation due to dominant areas of high pressure. A frontal system will swing through the East, kicking up showers in the Great Lakes. Showers will also persist in the Southeast.

Weather Underground • AP

Monday's global temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	La Paz	66	37	pc
Amsterdam	60	52	Rain	Lima	71	60	pc
Athens	55	48	Rain	Lisbon	73	64	Rain
Auckland	62	53	pc	London	63	48	Rain
Baghdad	86	65	Clr	Madrid	76	53	Clr
Basra	92	79	Cldy	Managua	87	75	Rain
Bahrain	90	78	Clr	Manila	89	70	Clr
Bangkok	89	76	pc	Mecca	99	77	Clr
Barbados	86	75	pc	Melbourne	64	57	Cldy
Barcelona	69	57	pc	Mexico City	69	50	pc
Beijing	35	26	Snow	Montevideo	69	62	Rain
Beirut	70	62	Rain	Montreal	51	41	pc
Belgrade	48	29	pc	Moscow	32	26	Snow
Berlin	42	28	Clr	Nairobi	77	60	Rain
Bermuda	74	69	pc	Nassau	88	71	Clr
Bogota	66	50	Rain	New Delhi	87	64	Clr
Brasilia	81	65	pc	Nice	66	59	pc
Brisbane	75	64	Rain	Osaka	77	60	Rain
Brussels	60	49	Rain	Oslo	35	30	Rain
Bucharest	38	32	Cldy	Panama	82	74	Rain
Budapest	44	24	pc	Paris	62	53	Rain
Buenos Aires	73	67	Rain	Perth	75	50	Clr
Cairo	79	67	pc	Prague	33	31	Cldy
Calgary	45	29	Rain	Rio de Janeiro	80	71	Rain
Caracas	89	75	Clr	Rome	60	39	Clr
Colombo	91	75	pc	San Jose	80	65	Rain
Copenhagen	45	42	Cldy	San Juan	87	78	Rain
Dahran	98	71	Clr	San Salvador	84	68	Rain
Dhaka	89	72	Clr	Santiago	68	53	pc
Dili	94	70	Clr	Sao Paulo	83	66	pc
Dubai	95	74	Clr	Sapporo	45	36	Rain
Dublin	52	42	Rain	Seoul	55	41	Rain
Frankfurt	50	33	Rain	Singapore	90	75	pc
Geneva	59	36	Rain	Sofia	46	32	pc
Guatemala	77	62	Rain	Stockholm	42	41	pc
Hanoi	89	71	Clr	Sydney	79	62	Clr
Harare	x	x	Clr	Taipei	78	71	Rain
Havana	86	66	pc	Tegucigalpa	82	64	Rain
Helsinki	38	21	pc	Tehran	70	51	Rain
Hong Kong	89	77	Clr	Tel Aviv	79	63	pc
Islamabad	87	53	Clr	Tokyo	78	59	Rain
Istanbul	57	46	Rain	Turin	51	50	Cldy
Jakarta	92	77	Clr	Toronto	51	43	pc
Jerusalem	79	63	pc	Tunis	71	59	pc
Johannesburg	72	53	pc	Valletta	68	53	Clr
Kabul	71	44	Clr	Vancouver	54	36	Clr
Kiev	36	27	pc	Vienna	37	30	Cldy
Kuala Lumpur	91	75	Rain	Warsaw	42	30	pc
Kuwait	93	75	pc	Zurich	50	34	pc

WEDNESDAY'S FORECAST



The weather is provided by the American Forces Network Weather Center, 2nd Weather Squadron at Offutt Air Force Base, Neb.

Tuesday's U.S. temperatures

City	Hi	Lo	Wthr	Casper	53	34	PCldy	Erie	46	42	Cldy	Jacksonville	74	53	PCldy	Montgomery	73	46	Clr	Richmond	65	41	PCldy	Springfield, Ill.	53	34	Clr
Ablene, Tex.	75	46	Clr	Charleston, S.C.	73	49	PCldy	Eugene	55	37	PCldy	Juneau	40	35	Rain	Nashville	63	45	PCldy	Roanoke	62	42	Clr	Springfield, Mo.	61	39	Clr
Akron, Ohio	47	39	Cldy	Charleston, W.Va.	53	40	Cldy	Evansville	56	40	Clr	Kansas City	59	34	PCldy	New Orleans	75	56	Clr	Rochester	49	42	Rain	Syracuse	49	40	Rain
Albany, N.Y.	51	36	Cldy	Chattanooga, N.C.	69	43	Clr	Fairbanks	11	-7	Clr	Key West	85	77	PCldy	New York City	58	45	Cldy	Rockford	50	29	Clr	Tallahassee	76	48	Clr
Albuquerque	69	40	Clr	Chattanooga, Tenn.	65	43	PCldy	Fargo	44	27	Cldy	Knoxville	64	42	Cldy	Newark	59	45	Cldy	Sacramento	77	48	Clr	Tampa	80	66	Cldy
Allentown, Pa.	55	35	Cldy	Cheyenne	52	30	Clr	Flagstaff	70	24	Clr	Lake Charles	76	50	Clr	Norfolk, Va.	62	51	PCldy	St. Louis	56	39	Clr	Toledo	49	37	Cldy
Amarillo	71	40	Clr	Chicago	47	32	Clr	Flint	46	35	Cldy	Lansing	44	33	Snow	North Platte	60	33	Clr	St. Petersburg	79	69	Cldy	Topeka	60	34	PCldy
Anchorage	30	14	Cldy	Cincinnati	54	39	Clr	Fort Smith	67	48	Clr	Las Vegas	82	53	Clr	Oklahoma City	68	46	Clr	St. Thomas	87	77	Clr	Tucson	90	51	Clr
Asheville	62	38	PCldy	Cleveland	46	41	Cldy	Fort Wayne	47	32	Clr	Lexington	52	41	PCldy	Omaha	57	31	Cldy	Salem, Ore.	57	40	PCldy	Tulsa	67	46	Clr
Atlanta	70	47	Clr	Colorado Springs	62	31	Clr	Fresno	80	51	Clr	Lincoln	58	30	Cldy	Orlando	80	65	Cldy	Salt Lake City	61	38	Clr	Tupelo	66	46	Clr
Atlantic City	60	41	Cldy	Columbia, S.C.	71	44	Clr	Goodland	60	33	Clr	Little Rock	64	48	PCldy	Paducah	59	41	Clr	San Angelo	74	44	Clr	Waco	76	50	Clr
Austin	77	46	Clr	Columbus, Ga.	73	47	Clr	Grand Junction	58	32	Clr	Los Angeles	85	55	Clr	Pendleton	55	32	PCldy	San Antonio	77	51	Clr	Washington, D.C.	64	44	Cldy
Baltimore	61	41	Cldy	Columbus, Ohio	52	39	PCldy	Grand Rapids	44	33	Snow	Louisville	54	43	PCldy	Peoria	50	31	Clr	San Diego	74	59	Clr	W. Palm Beach	85	70	PCldy
Baton Rouge	74	50	Clr	Concord, N.H.	52	32	Cldy	Great Falls	53	34	PCldy	Lubbock	70	38	PCldy	Philadelphia	60	43	Cldy	San Francisco	75	54	Clr	Wichita	64	42	Clr
Billings	55	33	PCldy	Corpus Christi	78	55	Clr	Green Bay	42	28	PCldy	Macon	75	44	Clr	Phoenix	92	59	Clr	San Jose	79	50	Clr	Wichita Falls	73	47	Clr
Birmingham	68	46	Clr	Dallas-Ft. Worth	73	50	Clr	Greensboro, N.C.	66	40	Clr	Madison	46	28	Clr	Pittsburgh	49	42	Cldy	Santa Fe	65	33	Clr	Wilkes-Barre	52	38	Cldy
Bismarck	54	32	Cldy	Dayton	51	37	Clr	Harrisburg	56	40	Cldy	Medford	65	34	Clr	Pocatello	55	31	Clr	St. Ste Marie	41	31	Snow	Wilmington, Del.	60	41	Cldy
Boise	57	36	Clr	Daytona Beach	77	63	Cldy	Hartford Spgflld	56	35	Cldy	Memphis	64	51	Clr	Portland, Maine	50	38	Cldy	Savannah	75	50	Clr	Yakima	56	29	PCldy
Boston	54	45	Cldy	Denver	58	29	Clr	Helena	52	32	PCldy	Miami Beach	87	73	PCldy	Portland, Ore.	56	42	PCldy	Seattle	55	45	PCldy	Youngstown	45	39	Cldy
Bridgeport	56	43	Cldy	Des Moines	49	31	PCldy	Honolulu	86	74	Rain	Midland-Odessa	74	40	Clr	Providence	57	42	Cldy	Shreveport	71	47	PCldy				
Brownsville	81	60	PCldy	Detroit	46	38	Cldy	Houston	76	52	Clr	Milwaukee	47	32	Clr	Pueblo	68	28	Clr	Sioux City	50	30	Cldy				
Buffalo	48	45	Cldy	Duluth	37	24	PCldy	Huntsville	68	44	PCldy	Mpls-St Paul	42	25	Cldy	Raleigh-Durham	68	41	Clr	Sioux Falls	48	30	Cldy				
Burlington, Vt.	49	36	Rain	El Paso	75	46	Clr	Indianapolis	51	36	Clr	Missoula	51	29	PCldy	Rapid City	55	32	Clr	South Bend	46	33	Clr				
Caribou, Maine	45	29	Rain	Elkins	48	38	Cldy	Jackson, Miss.	73	46	Clr	Mobile	72	47	Clr	Reno	71	38	Clr	Spokane	47	30	PCldy				

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Unkept promises to vets

I served in the Army. The post-9/11 GI Bill is a hoax.

People are losing their homes, going into great debt and being evicted from their homes due to an unkept promise by our government to support veterans. I would like for a publication such as yours to report to the men and women of the U.S. armed forces on the actual issues that go along with these delays.

It's not just about people not getting money. It's promised money that people counted on and are now suffering greatly because of it. These poor men and women currently signing up under the promise that they will receive a free education if they risk their lives for this country are in for a big surprise when they try to receive any benefit from Veterans Affairs.

The Navy Times reported that the VA had 14,000 payments yet to process as of Oct. 27. The VA states that it has hired more than 900 extra workers to work overtime to process these claims. Yet, it said people probably wouldn't get paid until closer to December. According to its Web site, it processed 3,270 payments [in one day]. At that rate about 14,000 claims would be processed in about 4½ days. The math doesn't add up to their story. Where's the money?

Chadwick Johnson
Chicago

Petty complaints? Get over it

It seems every time I read letters to the editor someone is complaining over petty things — the flight uniform debate, awards or what have you.

Get over it, and debate those issues with your friends and co-workers. The Army decided on new uniforms, so guess what, you get new ones. Evolve — don't stay in the past. I don't like the new uniforms, but you don't see me wanting the old ones.

On awards, it has been a rank-based award system for more than 20 years. So, unless you gut the Army and replace it with free thinkers, it will continue for another 20 years in the same old way. Sure, do what you can to fix it from the inside, but at the end of the day, it's the same old thing.

I will complain about one thing: I hope Congress or anyone else never decides to cheapen the Medal of Honor. This is not a numbers game, with it or any other award.

I didn't serve for awards. ... I served for my country.

David Dunbar
Camp As Sayiyah, Qatar

The influence of AFN news

When I arrived in Germany, the American Forces Network news programming had me puzzled. I wrote a few letters to AFN, got a few "company" responses, but it wasn't until I read "Programming questions flood AFN call session," (article, Oct. 26, Mideast and Europe editions), on Larry Sichter, the AFN relations chief, and Jef Reilly, the AFN Radio director, that it all became crystal clear to me.

The AFN news programming leans to the "conservative right." I understand

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their decision to have Rush Limbaugh on during peak hours is based on ratings in the States, but whom is AFN competing against for ratings?

AFN has the most captive audience in the world, because there is no competition for U.S. viewers here. You watch AFN, get a PAL system TV and watch German shows, or do something else with your free time. AFN has more say as to what we see or hear than it lets on.

In a wartime situation, you can't have Limbaugh trashing the president and his policies at every turn. This man has said he wants our president to fail, plays on racial fears and says all these counterproductive things under the guise of being a true patriotic American. These types of comments do nothing but undermine our president and fan the flames of paranoia.

Did I miss the airing of the president's huge speech on health care reform before the two houses? I don't remember seeing it. AFN can get "American Idol" shown here the next day, but not this historic speech. Were the ratings too low for the president's speech to be shown? Did the AFN "powers that be" view the speech as not being important enough to air?

Someone help me, because I'm trying not to think the worst, but it just doesn't pass the "sniff" test.

Carlos L. Sayles
Heidelberg, Germany

An insult to those deployed

As I read "The War Room" (article, Oct. 28), on the Air Force "difficulties" of flying the Predator/Reaper systems out of Creech Air Force Base, Nev., I could not help but feel disgust at the sheer twisted irony of the "difficulties" that Air Force personnel are having.

Must be nice to be home. The Army is in its fourth year of flight for the MQ-1B Warrior (a beefed-up version of the Air Force's Predator), and has amassed 50,000-plus combat flight hours.

Enlisted personnel in the Army do the exact same job as the officers in the Air Force, and we do it without flight pay. We

also do it deployed! We are in Iraq and Afghanistan. We do not go home at night. We do not get to see our loved ones.

We do not have the option of going to a bar to chill with fellow pilots. We fly six to 10 hours a day, day in day out, for an entire year. A day off is a treasured luxury that is frequently canceled due to personnel shortages. More than half of our meals are brought to us — we do not have the decision to make of whom to call for pizza delivery or which restaurant to go to.

Don't get me wrong — the Air Force serves many vital functions in the defense of our country, and it is greatly appreciated. However, to hear them complain about how bad they have it at home when Army personnel are performing the same missions with the same airframe in far worse conditions for far less pay in a war zone is nothing more than a slap in the face to those of us deployed here and in Afghanistan.

Sgt. Joe A. Alexander III
Camp Speicher, Iraq

'The War Room' ... seriously?

Leave it to the Air Force to complain about participating in combat from home ("The War Room," article, Oct. 28).

If complaining about 90-to-180-day rotations in the most upgraded camps down-range wasn't bad enough, dedicating four pages of Stars and Stripes to the theme of how tough their combat duty is from home is too much.

I am amazed by some of the points:
■ "... stand up from their Naugahyde chairs, emerge from their cramped trailers. ..." Seriously? Is this meant to convey some unimaginable hardship these "warriors" suffer? I'll bet theirs at least has access to a toilet.

■ "These guys are simultaneously at home and at war. It may be that human psychology isn't designed for that. We don't know yet." Seriously? Try asking any street cop in L.A., Chicago, New York.

■ "18 inches away" from combat? Seriously? Twenty feet is the distance from which an assailant with a knife can approach and stab you before you can draw and shoot your sidearm.

I know the unmanned aerial systems mission is difficult. I proudly serve with an elite unit, downrange, that has been successfully utilizing these powerful assets for years. The Air Force shows up three years late and your paper features this "... first of its kind" concept ("Elite drone pilots graduating as aircrafts" use is expanded," article, June 14), and now we are to empathize with guys fighting from home while our UAS operators live in limited camps with cramped, shared quarters vulnerable to attacks?

I do not believe that because it's tough for one, it should be tough for all, but don't expect others to be sympathetic toward those whose "combat tours" are counted in days, occur from plush chairs with a home-cooked meal and [include] quality family time. And don't get me started on aviator wings for someone whose flight decisions put everyone's life at risk but their own.

Chief Warrant Officer 4 Robert L. Gray III
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BY GARRY TRUDEAU



OPINION

Obama's making McChrystal wait too long

By DAN K. THOMASSON
Scripps Howard News Service

WASHINGTON

Among the more disappointing aspects of Barack Obama's young presidency is his seeming inability to come to a decision over what to do in Afghanistan. As the violence and U.S. death toll escalate, Obama continues to dither over whether to send more troops as requested by his chief man on the ground, Gen. Stanley McChrystal.

Every few days, it seems, the headlines proclaim that the president has asked someone else about how far to go in the struggle against the Taliban. Next on the list may be the White House custodial staff, whose members probably would tell him to get the heck out of Dodge. My father would have told him that if you have to think about something very long you probably shouldn't do it.

Where does all this leave McChrystal, who made the request for 40,000 in additional manpower weeks ago, warning that without them the U.S. efforts to stabilize the country and

permanently weaken the Taliban would fail in a year? How about twisting slowly in the wind, to borrow an old expression from Watergate days? It must be particularly galling to a highly regarded action man who was handpicked by Obama only a few months ago and given a strategy that has now been all but abandoned.

More and more it seems Obama is looking to Vice President Joe Biden for leadership in this most crucial of foreign policy decisions. Biden is now heading up the latest Afghan study group that includes Defense Secretary Robert Gates and National Security Adviser James Jones, Secretary of State Hillary Rodham Clinton and White House Chief of Staff Rahm Emanuel, whose military expertise is well-known in such political hot spots as South Chicago. Biden was once chairman of the Senate Foreign Relations Committee, where he was tutored by the Senate's true foreign policy expert, Indiana Republican Richard Lugar, when he (Biden) could quit talking long enough to listen.

There is a disturbing familiarity with a vice president's influen-

tial role in these type of decisions. It was just a few months ago, wasn't it, when a vice president was accused of being the Darth Vader of another administration. Dick Cheney even shot a fellow bird hunter, some argue, to publicly recertify his understanding of military tactics and procedures from his time as defense secretary.

White House press secretary Robert Gibbs told reporters recently that it is important "to get this right." No kidding, genius. But sometime along the way, a decision needs to be made with the understanding that in war activities it isn't always possible to nail things down. Flexibility is good, in fact. An accepted rule of thumb is to leave much of these gritty decisions to the general on the ground. As NATO commander as well as the head of U.S. forces, McChrystal needs to have the opportunity to make it work until he proves he can't. For the umpteenth time, it is necessary to remember that an Army chief of staff's warning that it would take up to 400,000 troops to control and rebuild Iraq with a minimum

Q. How many months has the President kept General McChrystal waiting for an answer to his request for more troops?



of bloodshed was not only ignored but cost the man his job and the nation a lot more.

Rarely has such all-out vacillation and contention been conducted this sharply in public. It can't be good for chances of a positive outcome or for McChrystal's position in all this. It is not unreasonable to suggest that this decorated soldier might ask to be let out to

run a motor pool in Arizona or someplace. The general made his case well and it should have been either accepted or quickly rejected quietly in a reasonable time frame. The president faces the distinct possibility that this all will come back to haunt him. Meanwhile the death toll mounts.

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The farmers aren't the enemy in Afghan drug war

By MOYARA RUEHSEN

There is concern that our continued efforts in Afghanistan are being undermined by widespread corruption within the administration of President Hamid Karzai. What few people are talking about is the opium cultivation and heroin production that is fueling this corruption. But should we do anything about it? Can we do anything about it? Not really.

Controlling opium production is a Sisyphean task — hopelessly futile. Trying to eradicate the crop creates perverse incentives that actually lead to increased production, as NATO allies learned in the years following the ouster of the Taliban in 2001. However, if we do nothing about opium cultivation, farmers will naturally overproduce, stocks of stored opium will accumulate, prices will fall further and farmers will eventually abandon the crop of their own free will (as they did in 2000 and as they are starting to do now).

This year, the United Nations issued two reports suggesting significant drops in opium crop cultivation, suggesting that U.S.- and British-funded crop eradication and alternative development schemes were finally paying off. But the continued drop in the number of acres planted with poppies is not all that it seems. Thanks to increasing crop yields (because of more intensive planting and more efficient techniques), new opium production has fallen by far less than the numbers would suggest. Annual production levels are still double what they were in the decade before the Sept. 11 attacks and during the first few years of this war.

We should not be surprised. Western anti-drug policies are founded on three misguided assumptions, most of which have been refuted by highly respected academic studies that policymakers have rarely bothered to read.

The first false assumption is that crop eradication actually leads to a reduction in production. Graham Farrell, who worked with the U.N. Drug Control Program in the 1990s, looked at the impact of crop

eradication efforts in different parts of the world and found that, in most cases, cultivation increased in the growing season following a crop eradication effort. It's a counterintuitive conclusion, but it makes sense. If farmers know that some crops will be destroyed, they will plant more in the expectation that prices will rise from the induced scarcity. Sometimes they will plant separate fields in outlying areas, or farmers in countries and provinces neighboring the area targeted for eradication might increase their cultivation.

The second false assumption is that subsidized crop substitution programs help poor farmers. Discovering too late that eradication was counterproductive, the U.S. government decided this summer to switch its efforts from eradication to subsidized crop replacement schemes. However, rarely have alternative development programs worked, unless farmers are growing new crops that yield a naturally higher profit margin. Crop subsidy schemes are limited in duration and lack the funds to be sustainable.

The third false assumption is that these counternarcotics programs will win the hearts and minds of Afghanistan's rural

poor. Improving transportation and trade infrastructure to help get legal crops to market would go further. But for those efforts to be sustained, the security situation needs to be improved first.

If all of these policies are counterproductive, what should NATO allies do in Afghanistan? Nothing at the extreme upstream end of the supply chain. Opium and heroin production has increased at such an alarming rate in the last eight years that the resulting supply glut has led to a dramatic fall in prices. Consequently, farmers in many parts of the country are switching to legal crops of their own free will.

Opium production levels have been so high in recent years that the United Nations estimates Afghan drug traffickers have stockpiled enough opium and heroin to supply the world's addicts for more than two years. While it has been suggested that the Taliban might be stockpiling supplies in order to corner the market, a more likely explanation is that drug traffickers within the Taliban and the Karzai government are holding on to excess stocks as they wait for prices to recover.

The temporary elimination of opium production by the Taliban in 2000-2001 was

also because of massive overproduction in preceding years and a resulting price collapse in raw opium. The Taliban issued a "ban" on production that year to drive up prices so farmers and traffickers could sell off excess stocks.

The most sensible solution is to leave farmers alone and instead crack down on traffickers in the border regions. That is the only strategy that will squeeze the market. And if the farmers cannot find buyers for their opium, prices will be driven down even further, providing more incentive to voluntarily switch to crops such as dried fruits, pomegranates and spices.

So how does all of this fit in with the Obama administration's new counterinsurgency strategy in Afghanistan? We know the Taliban are raising money from taxing and trafficking opium and heroin. But that has little to do with Afghanistan's farmers. We need to leave the farmers alone and focus our efforts on controlling Afghanistan's border crossings, targeting both drug traffickers and militants.

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Prickly City



By SCOTT STANTIS

Official changes course on refunds

TX AUSTIN — Texas Comptroller Susan Combs, in a policy reversal, will urge a state oversight board to keep a generous refund formula for those who want to cancel their prepaid college tuition plans.

Combs said she'll urge the Texas Prepaid Higher Education Tuition Board on Nov. 5 to cancel new rules that would have cut the value of the refunds. The proposed cuts sparked an outcry among parents and legislators.

In May, the board — which Combs chairs — changed the refund policy to help keep the struggling Texas Guaranteed Tuition Plan solvent.

County expects windfall in midst of recession

CO ASPEN — While most Colorado counties are struggling, the Pitkin County open space program expects a \$3 million tax windfall from higher property assessments that don't yet reflect the recession.

The county Open Space and Trails Board is scheduled to meet to discuss whether to return the money to taxpayers or spend it. Voters exempted the program from the limits of the Taxpayer's Bill of Rights, an amendment to the state constitution that restricts government income and spending.

Dale Will, director of the open space program, made no recommendation in a memo to board members, but he noted that the windfall could go a long way because property values have fallen.

Will said the windfall will be short-lived. He also said revenue could fall by 40 percent by 2012 when tax assessments are revised to reflect falling property values amid the recession.

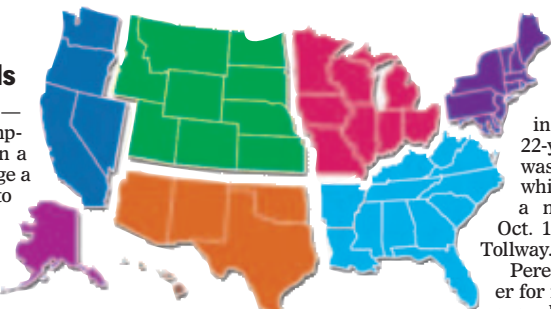
Community rushes to help burned boy's family

FL FORT LAUDERDALE — Touched by the plight of the Deerfield Beach, Fla., teenager who was recently surrounded by schoolmates and set on fire, donors continue to come forward to support Michael Brewer and his family.

In one night, patrons and staff at Galuppi's in Pompano Beach, Fla., raised more than \$10,000 for the fund set up by Neighbors 4 Neighbors.

Organizers of that event said it would seem minor compared with what they're planning for Nov. 21, when the restaurant will host a benefit featuring Miami Dolphins players and cheerleaders, along with silent auctions and raffles for sports memorabilia, Florida Panthers skybox tickets and the grand prize, a Norwegian Cruise Line cruise for two.

Michael remains in critical condition at Jackson Memorial Hospital's Burn Center in Miami. The five teenagers accused of accosting him on Oct. 12 at an apartment complex, dousing him with rubbing alcohol and lighting him on fire are due in court soon. Prosecutors are expected to request an extension to file formal charges on Nov. 11.



AMERICAN ROUNDUP

Utility, cable company held liable in fires

CA SAN DIEGO — San Diego Gas & Electric and Cox Communications have agreed to pay \$17 million to settle claims by state investigators that poor maintenance led to three huge Southern California wildfires in 2007.

The settlement comes more than a year after investigators with California's Public Utilities Commission concluded that power lines caused the Witch Creek, Guejito and Rice Canyon fires, which destroyed 1,300 homes and killed two people.

Officials found the Guejito Fire was caused by a Cox Communications lashing wire touching an SDG&E conductor. Cox has agreed to pay \$2 million to the general fund, without admitting it caused the fire.

Trooper retires after excessive force incident

TX DALLAS — A state trooper has retired after being given notice that he would be discharged for misconduct that included using excessive force during an arrest in October.

Department Public Safety Director Steve McCraw has also ordered a criminal investigation based on evidence from Trooper Arturo Perez's in-car video. The

video has not been made public.

Attorney Randy Isenberg told KDFW-TV in Dallas that his client, 22-year-old Whitney Fox, was slammed into a wall while in handcuffs after a minor traffic accident Oct. 10 on the Dallas North Tollway.

Perez, who has been a trooper for more than three years, served 16 years with the state prison system.

Hunter accidentally shoots self in hand

NH OSSISPEE — A New Hampshire deer hunter has accidentally shot himself in the right hand while trying to lift his loaded rifle into a tree stand using a rope tied around the weapon.

A state conservation officer said a branch or stick apparently got stuck in the trigger of Robert Lapointe's .50-caliber muzzleloader.

Mark Hensel of the state Fish and Game Department said the 63-year-old from Somersworth, N.H., was hunting in Ossipee on the first day of the muzzleloader deer season.

Horse slaughter cases puzzle authorities

FL MIAMI — She was a bay — a dark brown thoroughbred. She had a shiny coat and new horseshoes, all signs someone took good care of her.

But the 3- or 4-year-old horse was found cut in pieces along a rural roadside in southwest Miami-Dade, Fla., a spokesman for the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty for Animals said.

It was the latest horse slaughtered — possibly for her meat — in a rash of such killings this year in Miami-Dade and Broward counties.

"It was a pretty brutal scene," said Richard Couto, a board of directors investigator with the SPCA. "I love horses, and going to a scene like that and seeing one in 10 to 15 pieces, it's difficult."

It was not known whether any horses had been reported missing in South Florida.

Two neighbors contacted the SPCA when they came across the scene while taking their own horses for a pleasure ride. The remains were scattered across hundreds of feet, and the back legs of the horse were missing.

The number of horses killed since January now stands at 21, Couto said.

Brown University student dies after fall

RI PROVIDENCE — Brown University officials have said a student who was studying in China has died after falling from the rooftop terrace of a Beijing apartment building.

Officials said they learned about the death of junior Arun Stewart, of Dallas from Chinese authorities.

President Ruth Simmons said in a message to the campus community that Stewart lost his footing and fell while he was attending a recent gathering of friends.

Stewart had been studying in China for a year and was pursuing a bachelor's degree in East Asian Studies.



Morning color scheme

Clouds are colored by the early



A story and a song Blues artist Big George Brock plays his harmonica at his St. Louis home. At 77, Brock is a storyteller and respected musician, who grew up in Mississippi, played music with Muddy Waters in Brock's mother's backyard during fish fries, worked as a sharecropper in cotton fields, became a boxer and, of course, played the blues.



Time for a nap

Blaze, the miniature pinscher, lets out a yawn during the Walk Your Paws fundraiser in Decatur, Ala.

Horoscope

If you've meandered off of your so-called "five-year plan" lately, it's time to get back on track. Neptune goes direct in Aquarius, resetting our dreams, fantasies and projections. As for your wandering experiences, they've all contributed to the big picture, so regret would be silly. Be proud of your diversity as you straighten out your course.

TODAY'S BIRTHDAY (Nov. 4).

You support your loved ones without stipulating that their choices satisfy you. Because you understand and embody the true nature of love, it will be showered on you through the year. The next four weeks bring an important connection. In December, you'll catch a professional break. January brings a windfall. Cancer and Aries people adore you.

ARIES (March 21-April 19).

Few will agree with your ideas today, but that doesn't matter. It's not the number of votes but the weight of those votes that will make a difference. One devoted partner will be enough. Together you'll change the world.

TAURUS (April 20-May 20).

You're trying to do something that requires a great deal of power. Remember that you don't have to make it happen in a single burst. Use time as a tool. Even something as soft as water can crumble a mountain.

GEMINI (May 21-June 21).

Forgiving means forgetting. There is no forgiveness where there is still memory of the wrong done to you, because as long as you recall, a piece of you is still holding out. When you pardon someone, do it all the way.

CANCER (June 22-July 22).

Your stars align to create powerful momentum. Now that you've got the ball rolling, make sure it keeps going the right way. Keep your eye on the goal. A coach (ideally a Taurus) will help you stay on track.

LEO (July 23-Aug. 22).

In life,

you can either act or react. Today, be an actor — you'll have consistently better results. Think about what you want to happen, and align your efforts accordingly.

VIRGO (Aug. 23-Sept. 22).

Jane Austen said, "We all love to instruct, though we can teach only what is not worth knowing." That's why you wisely choose to teach by example. And more people are watching than you think.

Holiday Mathis



LIBRA (Sept. 23-Oct. 23).

Go out and you'll have a blast. Social gatherings are a stage on which you can show off your exquisite taste. Be bold, for your place at the table of the aesthetically inclined is assured.

SCORPIO (Oct. 24-Nov. 21).

A friend relates curious news. There may be an opportunity for you in this juicy nugget. Don't jump to conclusions, but take a moment to think about where you'd like this to go. The situation is malleable.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22-Dec. 21).

Taking a chance on love doesn't have to mean buying flowers for a co-worker or saying yes to a blind date. It could be something as simple as returning a smile. Tonight brings communication from afar.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22-Jan. 19).

You will be tempted to feel jealous of a friend's success. Resist it. Instead, take your friend's good fortune as a sign that your turn is coming up. And keep getting ready to embrace your destiny.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 20-Feb. 18).

Read the omens. If someone is difficult to get ahold of now, he or she will be difficult to get ahold of later, too. Leave a situation that has no sense of flow to find a better match.

PISCES (Feb. 19-March 20).

The past isn't over. You'll get the chance to right a past wrong. You'll either be forgiving someone or asking to be forgiven. Completing this cycle puts you in touch with divine energy.

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Difficulty: Medium

Fill in the boxes so that each row, column and 3-by-3 square includes the digits 1 through 9. For solution, tips and computer program, see www.sudoku.com

Yesterday's solution

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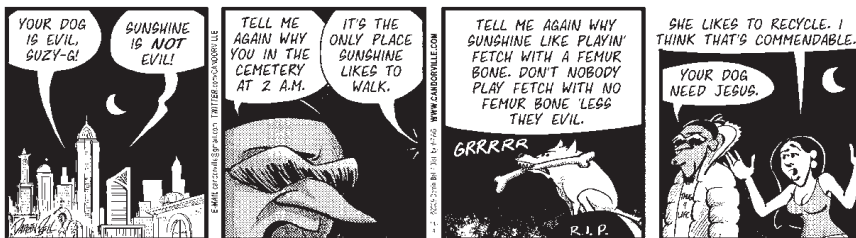
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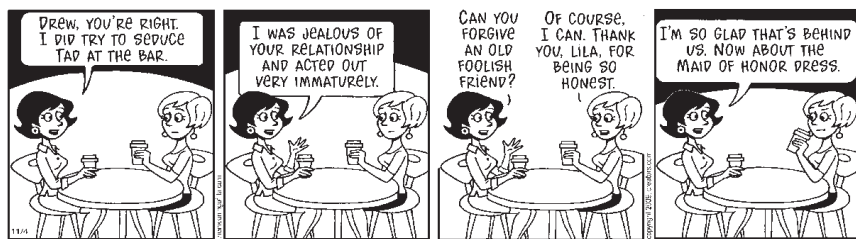
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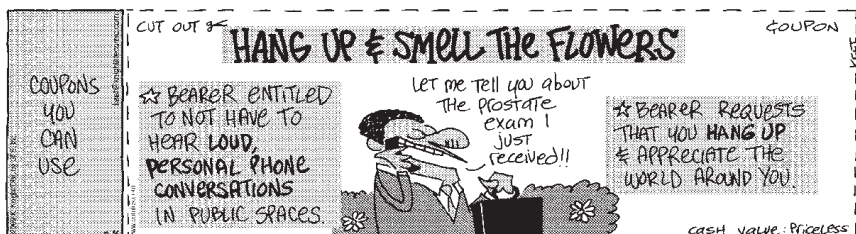
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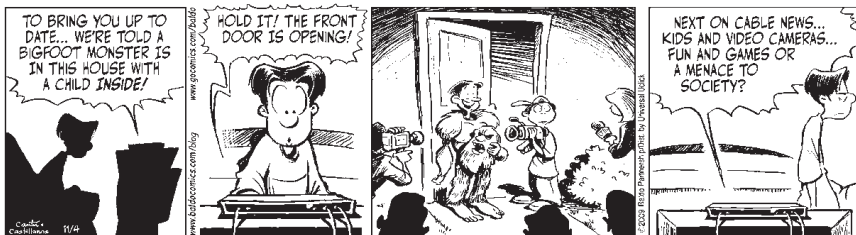
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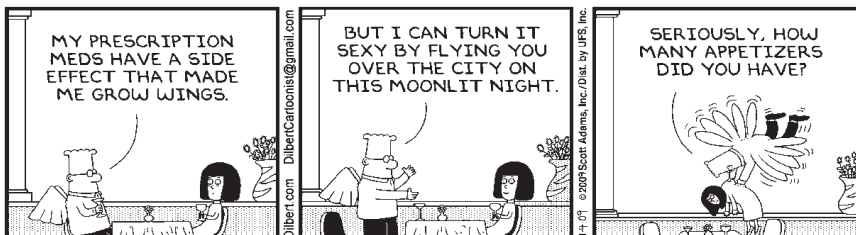
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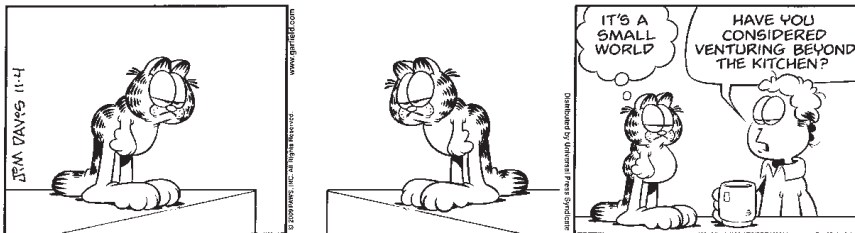
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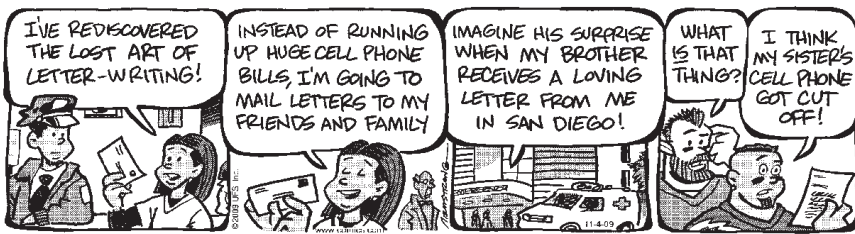
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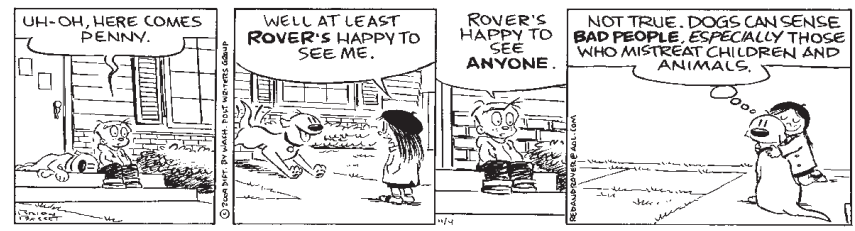
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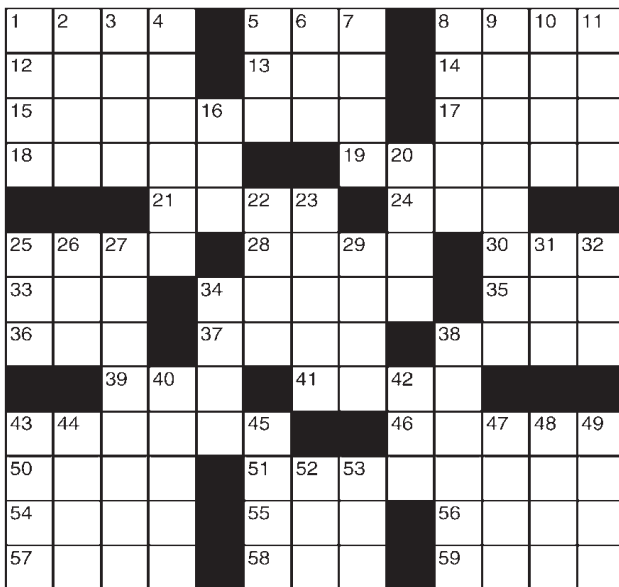
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Better or Worse



Eugene Sheffer Crossword



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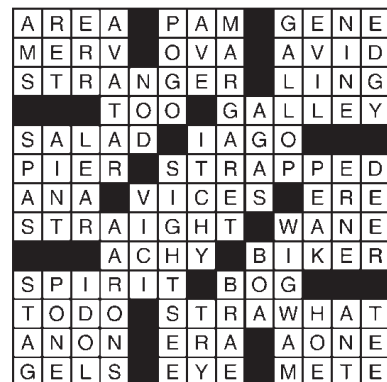
- 1 Foolish sort
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- 13 Commotion
- 14 NASA's "Forget it"
- 15 "Oh, really?"
- 17 PC picture
- 18 Mar
- 19 Harm
- 21 Peruse
- 24 Toothpaste type
- 25 Bit of banter
- 28 Ark builder
- 30 Caustic solution
- 33 Past
- 34 Line dance?
- 35 Wet wriggler
- 36 Feathery accessory
- 37 "— Karenina"
- 38 Leading man?
- 39 Siesta
- 41 Geological periods
- 43 Acts the moocher
- 46 Shelter from the sun
- 50 Astrologer's bear
- 51 Barely mediocre
- 54 Laugh-a-minute
- 55 St.
- 56 Passenger Parks
- 57 Facility
- 58 Skillet

59 Spuds' buds

DOWN

- 1 Anything but that
- 2 Nasty stinger
- 3 Grooving on
- 4 Unisex garb
- 5 Cudgel
- 6 Billboards
- 7 Suitable
- 8 Japanese cartooning style
- 9 Commonly named
- 10 Highly excited
- 11 Southern bread
- 16 Hearty brew
- 20 Midwest VIP
- 22 Shortly
- 23 "Death Be Not Proud" poet
- 25 Poke
- 26 "I" strain
- 27 Unspecified people
- 29 Culture medium
- 31 Verily
- 32 46-Across provider
- 34 Feature of a Batsuit
- 38 Off the boat
- 40 Marble type
- 42 Donkey
- 43 Remedy
- 44 Met melody
- 45 Break suddenly
- 47 "Hi, sailor"
- 48 Teaspoonful, at times
- 49 Greek vowels
- 52 Eggs
- 53 X rating?

Answer to Previous Puzzle



11-4

CRYPTOQUIP

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Yesterday's Cryptoquip: THE OLD BAKER STOPPED WORKING AT THE DOUGHNUT SHOP AFTER HE GOT FED UP WITH THE HOLE BUSINESS.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: 1 equals T

Smitten guy ignores grandpa

Dear Abby: My wife and I were visiting our children and grandson, "Rhett," age 24. Rhett is a college student who lives at home. He had his girlfriend, "Peggy," who lives in another town, at the house for the weekend.

Rhett and Peggy retired to his room early in the evening. When we saw them at breakfast, they were, basically, uncommunicative. Shortly after, they went to the backyard and immediately climbed into the hammock, where they lay like tightly wound dishrags for the next two hours until it was time for us to leave. Our son and his wife did not awaken them to say goodbye, so we concluded that they had been exhausted by the previous night's activities.

Is this normal behavior in today's world? We realize that we may be "old fogies" by current standards, but isn't there any line drawn anymore? My son and his

wife acted like this was all perfectly fine.

— **Invisible Grandpa in Arkansas**

Dear Grandpa: Whether Rhett's behavior — and his parents' tolerance of it — is "fine" in today's world depends upon the standards in that household. However, there are "family manners" and "company manners." From your description of the goings-on during your visit, and that no effort was made to spend any quality time with you, I'd say your grandson's behavior was just plain rude.

That said, Rhett was not entirely to blame. Some fault lies with your son and his wife for tolerating your being ignored and not insisting that you be treated with more courtesy and respect.

Dear Abby: My brother, "Jeff," has not communicated with any of the family — parents or siblings — for two years. Nobody knows why. We grew up a

close-knit family with lots of love and affection.

About six years ago, Jeff moved with his wife and children to a different state. During the first few years, he stayed in touch via phone calls and e-mails, but suddenly all communication ceased. We know where he lives and have tried contacting him through letters, phone calls and e-mails, but he will not respond. Our parents are devastated and none of us knows what to do.

We have so many questions: Is Jeff hiding something? Is he ill? How are the children? What do we do, Abby? Please help.

— **Family in Pain**

Dear In Pain: Because you have tried everything else, only one thing is left. If at all possible, your parents and the sibling who was closest to Jeff should schedule a visit to the city in which he now resides and pay him a call.

Letters for this column — with your name and phone number — should be addressed to Dear Abby, P.O. Box 69440, Los Angeles CA 90069. Readers can write to Abby on the Internet at <http://www.ueexpress.com/dearabby>
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Dear Abby



JUMBLE

Unscramble these four Jumbles, one letter to each square, to form four ordinary words.

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ELLEB

KIALLA

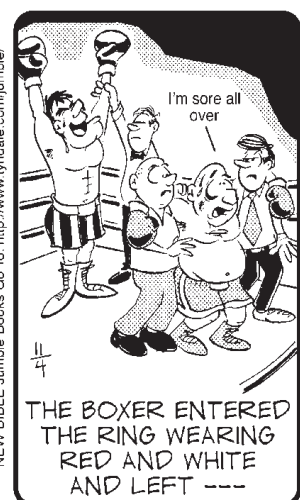
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Answer: AND

(Answers tomorrow)

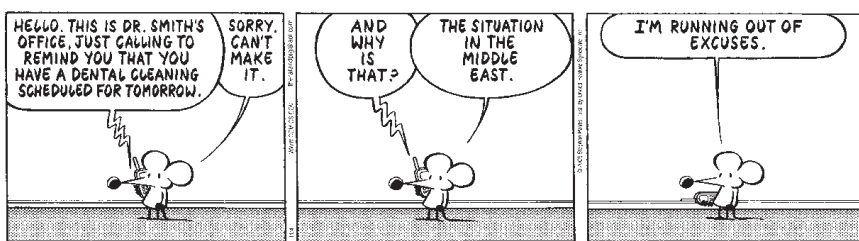
Yesterday's Jumbles: LATCH EMPTY PUDDLE BEACON
Answer: What the second base umpire got after the game — HOME "PLATE"

THAT SCRAMBLED WORD GAME by Mike Argirion and Jeff Knurek

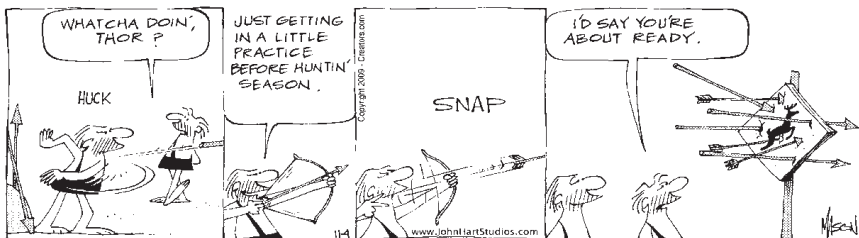


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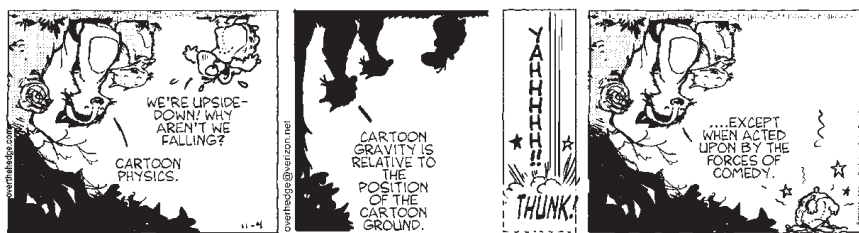
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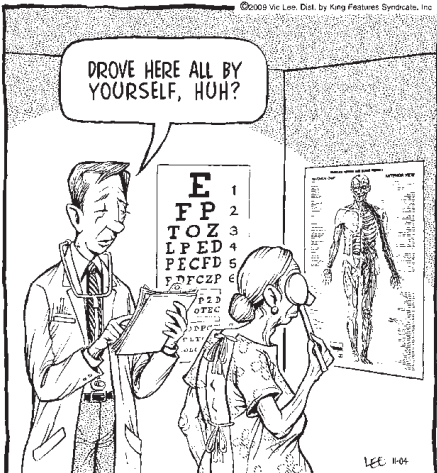
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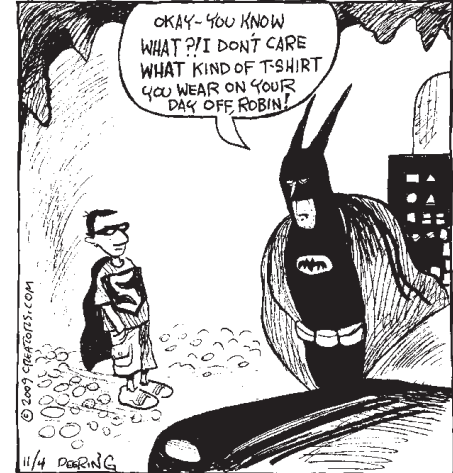
Pardon My Planet



Non Sequitur



Strange Brew



Speed Bump



AFN Television Schedule

Updated sports listings are available on AFN's Web site at www.myafn.net

TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2009

	AFN/prime Atlantic	AFN/family	AFN/movie	AFN/news	AFN/prime Pacific	PENTAGON	AFN/spectrum	AFN/sports	AFN/xtra
15:00	NBC Nightly News	Funniest Home Videos	(:05) Movie "Like Mike"	Your World With Neil Cavuto	Days of our Lives	AFN Europe Report	Design Remix	SportsCenter	Sports
15:30	World News-Gibson	Planet's Funniest Animals	(2002) Lil' Bow Wow. Magic sneakers propel an orphan to a slot in the NBA.	The Rachel Maddow Show	Oprah Winfrey	EXchange on Air	Curb Appeal	SportsCenter	
16:00	Sesame Street	(3:50) Pokémon				Fit For Duty	Top Gear		
16:30		(:40) Zatch Bell				Battleground			
17:00	The View	The Fairly OddParents	Movie Mob	Around the Services	Wheel of Fortune	Today's Air Force	King of the Hill	Sports	X Play
17:30		Teenage Mutant Ninja	At the Movies	Tavis Smiley	Jeopardy!	Recon	That '70s Show		Yo Momma
18:00	Dr. Phil	SpongeBob SquarePants	Hollywood Dailies	Nightly Business Report	World News-Gibson	Around the Services	Daily Show- Jon Stewart		The Simpsons
18:30		Hannah Montana	Entertainment Tonight	Nightline	Around the Services	Downrange	The Colbert Report		Family Guy
19:00	The Dr. Oz Show	True Jackson, VP Jungle. Naturally, Sadie	Movie "The Bourne Identity" (2002, Suspense) Matt Damon, Franka Potente, Chris Cooper.	The O'Reilly Factor	NUMB3RS "Trouble in Chinatown"	Week-Pentagon	Dancing With the Stars		WWE Monday Night Raw
19:30						FNG Useful benefits.			
20:00	Access Hollywood	Summerland "What's Past Is Prologue"		Countdown With Keith Olbermann	The Game	Briefing Encore			
20:30	The King of Queens				'Til Death	Fit For Duty			
21:00	The Young and the Restless	Beverly Hills, 90210	(:15) Movie "Dan in Real Life" (2007) Steve Carell. An advice columnist falls for his brother's girlfriend.	Today	The Jay Leno Show	Battleground	The Superstars		The Salt 'N Pepa Show
21:30		Brenda moves back.				Recon Revisited			Bully Beatdown
22:00	General Hospital	Degrassi: TNG		Today	Pacific Report	Around the Services	Seinfeld "The Burning"		SportsNation
22:30		Strange Days			The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien	Pacific Report	Friends		
23:00	Days of our Lives	7th Heaven "Suspicion"	(:10) Movie "Hangin' With the Homeboys" (1991)	America's Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Briefing Encore	Daily Show- Jon Stewart	Sports	Attack of the Show!
23:30						USARJ This Week	The Colbert Report		

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00:00	Oprah Winfrey	True Jackson, VP Jungle. Naturally, Sadie	(11:10) Movie "Hangin' With the Homeboys" (1991, Comedy)	Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	The Grill Sergeants	Late Night With Jimmy Fallon	(11:00) Sports	MTV Hits Playlist
00:30					The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Downrange			
1:00	Wheel of Fortune	Summerland "What's Past Is Prologue"	Movie "Deep Blue Sea" (1999) Thomas Jane, Saffron Burrows. Smart sharks turn a research lab's staff into fish food.	MSNBC Live	Judge Judy	This Week in the Pentagon	Battlestar Galactica "Day-break" (Part 2 of 2)		X Play
1:30	Jeopardy!			Happening Now	House "Don't Ever Change"	Fit For Duty	Supernatural While battling a demon, Dean is electrocuted.		Yo Momma
2:00	Headline News	Beverly Hills, 90210 "The Little Fish" Brenda moves back.				Recon	Close to Home "Meth Murders"		The Simpsons
2:30	ATS/AFN Report	Degrassi: Next Generation	(2:55) Movie "The Bourne Identity" (2002) Matt Damon. An amnesiac agent is marked for death after a botched hit.	Newsroom	Oprah Winfrey	Downrange	State Dept Briefing		Family Guy
3:00	NUMB3RS "Trouble in Chinatown"	Strange Days-Blake Holsey		MSNBC Live	Dr. Phil	Today's Air Force	Seinfeld "The Burning"	Sports	WWE Monday Night Raw
3:30	The Game	7th Heaven "Suspicion"				Recon Revisited	Friends		
4:00	The Jay Leno Show	Teletubbies	(:10) Movie "Dan in Real Life" (2007) Steve Carell, Juliette Binoche. An advice columnist falls for his brother's girlfriend.	Studio B With Shepard Smith	Final Score	Battleground	Namaste Yoga		The Salt 'N Pepa Show
4:30		Rolie Polie Olie			Headline News	Around the Services	Total Body Sculpt With Gilad	College Football Live	Bully Beatdown
5:00	Headline News	Sesame Street		The Situation Room With Wolf Blitzer	Good Morning America	Army Newswatch	Giada at Home	Sports	SportsNation Hosts Colin Cowherd and Michelle Beadle.
5:30	The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien	Bear in the Big Blue House	Movie Mob	Glenn Beck	Good Morning America	This Week in the Pentagon	Cooking-Sandra Lee	Jim Rome Is Burning	Attack of the Show!
6:00						Downrange	E! News Entertainment news.	Around the Horn	
6:30						Around the Services	The Daily 10	Pardon the Interruption	
7:00	Late Show With David Letterman	Raggs	At the Movies	Around the Services	Sesame Street	Briefing Encore	ER "Dream House"	SportsCenter	MTV Hits Playlist
7:30		Dora the Explorer	Hollywood Dailies	NBC Nightly News		FNG Useful benefits.			
8:00	The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Ni Hao, Kai-lan	Entertainment Tonight	World News-Gibson	The View	Fit For Duty	Desperate Housewives "Art Isn't Easy"	Sports	Sports
8:30		The Backyardigans	Movie "The Brooke Ellison Story" (2004) Mary Elizabeth Mastrantonio, John Slattery.	CBS Evening News		Around the Services			
9:00	Judge Judy	Curious George		The NewsHour With Jim Lehrer	Dr. Phil	Recon Revisited	Grey's Anatomy "Let the Truth Sting"		
9:30	House "Don't Ever Change"	Peep-Big World	(:45) Movie "Wonder Boys" (2000, Comedy-Drama) Michael Douglas, Tobey Maguire. A writer's personal crises come to a head one weekend.	Hannity	The Dr. Oz Show	State Dept Briefing	Judge Judy		
10:00		Super Why!		Anderson Cooper 360	Access Hollywood	AFN Europe Report	Judge Alex		
10:30	Oprah Winfrey	Curious George			Recon				
11:00	Dr. Phil	The Backyardigans		Special Report With Bret Baier	The King of Queens	Fit For Duty	CSI: Crime Scene Investigation "Face Lift"		
11:30		Ni Hao, Kai-lan		Campbell Brown	The Young and the Restless	Battleground	Challenge		
12:00		Dora the Explorer	(12:50) Movie "Bridget Jones's Diary" (2001) Renée Zellweger, Colin Firth, Hugh Grant.		General Hospital	Around the Services			
12:30	CBS Evening News	Raggs				Briefing Encore	Emeril Live		
13:00	ESPN News	Bear in the Big Blue House				Downrange			
13:30	Prime News Tonight	Sesame Street	(:40) Movie "Wall Street" (1987, Drama) Michael Douglas, Charlie Sheen, Martin Sheen. A ruthless corporate raider instructs a young stockbroker.	Your World With Neil Cavuto	Days of our Lives	AFN Europe Report	Ground Breakers	SportsCenter	Sports
14:00				The Rachel Maddow Show	Oprah Winfrey	Recon	Color Splash		
14:30						Fit For Duty	Top Gear	SportsCenter	
15:00	NBC Nightly News	Funniest Home Videos	Behind the Scenes	Around the Services	Wheel of Fortune	Battleground	King of the Hill	Sports	X Play
15:30	World News-Gibson	Planet's Funniest Animals	Entertainment Studios.com	Tavis Smiley	Jeopardy!	The American Veteran	That '70s Show		Yo Momma
16:00	Sesame Street	(3:50) Pokémon		Nightly Business Report	World News-Gibson	Recon Revisited	Daily Show- Jon Stewart		The Simpsons
16:30		(:40) Zatch Bell		Nightline	Around the Services	Downrange	The Colbert Report		Family Guy
17:00	The View	(:05) The Fairly OddParents	Movie "Fever Pitch" (2005) Drew Barrymore, Jimmy Fallon. A woman falls in love with a die-hard baseball fan.	The O'Reilly Factor	American Dad	Ft. Hood on Track	Dancing With the Stars		The Ultimate Fighter
17:30	Dr. Phil	SpongeBob SquarePants		Countdown With Keith Olbermann	Family Guy	Today's Air Force			
18:00		Hannah Montana			HawthoRNe "Healing Time" A patient with dementia.	Briefing Encore	Southern Belles: Louisville "New Beginnings"		Gotti's Way
19:00	The Dr. Oz Show	Sonny With a Chance		Today	The Jay Leno Show	Fit For Duty	Desperate Housewives "If It's Only in Your Head"		Harlem Heights
19:30		Zoey 101				Battleground	Air Force Football		Rock of Love With Bret Michaels
20:00	Access Hollywood	American Dreams "Another Saturday Night"		Today	Pacific Report	Around the Services	Seinfeld "The Bookstore"		SportsNation Hosts Colin Cowherd and Michelle Beadle.
20:30	The King of Queens	Beverly Hills, 90210 Brandon and Steve enter rush week.	(:05) House of Saddam		The Tonight Show With Conan O'Brien	Pacific Report	Friends	Sports	Attack of the Show!
21:00	The Young and the Restless	Degrassi: Next Generation		America's Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Briefing Encore	Daily Show- Jon Stewart		
21:30	General Hospital	Strange Days-Blake Holsey				USARJ This Week	The Colbert Report		
22:00		7th Heaven "Drunk"							
22:30	Days of our Lives								
23:00									
23:30			Pirates-Worlds						

THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 5, 2009

00:00	Oprah Winfrey	Sonny With a Chance	(11:30) Movie "Pirates of the Caribbean: At World's End" (2007) Johnny Depp, Orlando Bloom, Jack Sparrow's friends join forces to save him.	Newsroom	Late Show-Letterman	Tour of Duty	Late Night With Jimmy Fallon	(11:00) Sports	MTV Hits Playlist
00:30		Zoey 101			The Late Late Show With Craig Ferguson	Downrange			
1:00	Wheel of Fortune	American Dreams "Another Saturday Night"		MSNBC Live	Judge Judy	EXchange on Air	The Starter Wife "Her Old Man and the Sea"		X Play
1:30	Jeopardy!			Happening Now	House "No More Mr. Nice Guy" House and Amber argue.	Fit For Duty	Ghost Whisperer "Save Our Souls"		Yo Momma
2:00	Headline News	Beverly Hills, 90210 Brandon and Steve enter rush week.				Today's Air Force	Psych A man disappears from a local retirement community.		The Simpsons
2:30	ATS/AFN Report	Degrassi: Next Generation	Movie "Fever Pitch" (2005) Drew Barrymore, Jimmy Fallon. A woman falls in love with a die-hard baseball fan.	Newsroom	Oprah Winfrey	Downrange			Family Guy
3:00	American Dad	Strange Days-Blake Holsey		MSNBC Live		This Week in the Pentagon			The Ultimate Fighter
3:30	Family Guy	7th Heaven "Drunk"			Dr. Phil	The Grill Sergeants	Seinfeld "The Bookstore"	Sports	Gotti's Way
4:00	HawthoRNe "Healing Time" A patient with dementia.					State Dept Briefing	Friends		Harlem Heights
4:30	The Jay Leno Show	Teletubbies		Studio B With Shepard Smith	Final Score	Battleground	Namaste Yoga		Rock of Love With Bret Michaels
5:00		Rolie Polie Olie	(:35) House of Saddam		Headline News	Around the Services	Total Body Sculpt With Gilad	College Football Live	

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2001 Mercedes Benz C240 silver nice rims fairly new tires. Power Everything (air, etc) with sunroof 6 CD changer. Car is in Hawaii so any pictures email me at monique.sutton@amedd.army.mil or call Ms. Davis at 808-664-3211/808-347-4164. Will sell for \$8000-9000. Thankyou.

Atsugi - 1993 Toyota Estima Van, 83,000 KLM, 7 seater very clean runs great, moon and sun roof. Comes with Eclipse Navigation System with 30Gig HD for music playback and movies. Kenwood speakers. Chrome 17 inch rims. Great Family Van. Asking \$1500. Call Tony @ 264-5246 / 08033505521

Atsugi - '98 Nissan Skyline 25GT (ER34), 90k km; all NEW sports muffler, air filter, shocks, antiroll bar. New oil, filters, AT fluid, brake pads/fluid. JCI/Bese inspection til Dec2010. Asking 5000USD. Available NOW. Call James at 080-6712-7230.

Misawa, Japan - Honda Odyssey, 1995 JCI: July 2010 Excellent Condition! Auto-start, Snow Tires, A/C & Heat, and Great Stereo Garage kept - Very Clean Interior, well maintained. Power everything and Ready to drive home today! Asking \$3500. OBO. Contact John at cell. 080-5685-8409 or jaioseto@yahoo.com

Yokota - 1996 Mitsubishi Legnum VR4 Station wagon for sale. 83500 kilometers, twin turbo, 2.5L V6, AWD, SP500 Shift, PWL, Navigation, JCI. Good till June 2010. \$3000 Asking price. MUST SELL QUICKLY. DSN: 315-263-7274.

Autos for Sale 141

Yokohama/Negishi - 1999 Nissan Silvia-180SX - black 4 cylinder automatic transmission with power locks and windows - A/C works good - JCI good thru March 2010 - 500 Y-plates for cheap road tax - non smoker \$1000 OBO - leaving Japan on the 30th - will deliver to local bases - call 269-6291 or 080-4073-9157 email: james.r.guest@us.army.mil or jimguest.injapan@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 1991 Nissan Laurel Grey full size sedan with Kenwood stereo system. Replaced 2 tires, windshield wipers. Upholstery have some wear and tear but car still runs in great condition. It's only needed a few tune-ups and A/C and heater work great! JCI until March 2010 asking \$400 OBO please call 2142616421 or email prodigies18@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 1993 Nissan 300Z 5 Speed, Performance Exhaust, Premium Stereo System, Clean Interior & Paint. JCI March 2010 asking \$1200 OBO Please call 214-261-6352 or 080-6557-9171 or email winfordr@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 1995 Honda Odyssey - 106000km - CD player - iPod FM receiver - Seats up to seven or remove the back row for extra cargo space - JCI is good for another 13 months - It's a great family car with no problems. Redbook private sale value suggests \$4000-\$6000 for this vehicle. Asking \$1800 OBO Please email nck_rocco@hotmail.com or call 080-3213-3525 and leave a message.

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Yokota, Japan - 1994 Nissan Silvia-180SX Body work and Paint was done by Show up Garage recently changed the rear tires, brake pads, and front rotors for JCI inspection. Please call for more information/test drive. Engine Upgrades: Black S13 SR20DET Kakimoto Cat back Exhaust Low Profile Exhaust Elbow & Pipe Coolant Reservoir Tank Super Wide Straight Pipe S14 Ball bearing Turbine NGK Performance Spark Plugs All intakes converted to 4" Piping Performance Intake Filter Nismo Single Plate 2 Core Radiator Greddy Electronic Radiator Fan Controller S14 Greddy Intercooler Flex a lite Low Profile Twin Radiator Fan JCI until Aug. 2011 Asking 6500 OBO Please call Jessica Smeaton (949)258-6930 or email iarncaptinkirk@gmail.com

Yokota, Japan - 1995 Toyota Camry Silver 4door i Very Reliable! We'll be available on Nov 15. Great Deal! New Battery as of 8/2009! Please call 614-358-4755 or email jackson_r.a@yahoo.com Payment Plan available if needed. JCI until April 2010 asking \$800 OBO

Yokota, Japan - 2000 Toyota Fun Cargo - very clean A little over 99,000 KM chameleon color stereo docking area and purple/pink steering wheel JCI until August 2011 Asking \$3500. Please call 773-634-7782 or email usaf_firefighters_wife@yahoo.com

Autos for Sale 141

Yokota, Japan - 1997 Nissan Skyline - GTS Clean interior. Extremely reliable! Built in radio with CD player; Built in GPS system with remote and TV. Silver exterior, Charcoal interior, automatic transmission. Less than 51,000 km. Great gas mileage Tires and breaks in superb condition. Need to sell car before November 1, 2009 JCI until May 2010 asking \$2000 please call 080-5688-8024 or email rebekuh@gmail.com

Yokota, Japan - 2000 RX7 Beast from the East! OK remember me? LOL. Well, I can now finally honestly say thanks to the Guys at the Mazda Dealer my RX7 is top notch! Excellent condition! No Leaks! No Problems whatsoever. This car sold for \$30K (300,000 Yen) in 2000 is now valued at 18-20K. I will sell it for \$11,000 or best offer BUT do not buy this car if you don't love RX7s! It takes quite a bit of up-keep to keep this baby happy but trust me she gives a lot in return. This is by far the fastest car I have ever driven but that's just me. JCI until July 2011 asking \$11,000 OBO Please call 080-3588-0119

Yokota, Japan - 2000 Suzuki Wagon R (Yellow Plate) This car has been good to me but it is time to trade it in. It may look small but it is very roomy and great for little road trips and a great family car. The only thing affecting it is it is HJD (High Intensity Discharge) Lights that work like a charm and light up the road at night. The car has almost 88000km on it and still runs great. I just recently had the Spark Plugs changed, new distributor w/ rotor, and all the fluids changed. This car is also turbo ED, so it does have some get up to it. JCI is good for 2 years! Asking \$3000 OBO please call Neffien 080-3586-8713

Yokota, Japan - My 2 for 1 for a limited time get 2 vehicles for the price of 1. Get a Toyota Crown 94 & 94 Honda Inspire both for only \$3300. One for \$2200 & one for \$1500 savings of \$400 for two very reliable and dependable vehicles. Ask about split payment plan option. JCI until Jan 10 & July 10 asking \$3300 please call 080-3081-9772 or email chynasdad1@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 2K8 Jeep Wrangler 4dr Reassembled 85000 miles, all oil changes done at 2500 miles 2.5" Spring lift 3" BFG MT KM2 mud tires Optionals (Volk Racing TE37 17 wheels 1500.00 extra 2000 new Original wheels included Rugged Ridge Front bumper (non welded) OEM bumper Rugged Ridge 1/2" 16" My GIG 40GB internal hard drive, touch screen DVD, CD, aux input, USB input, available blue tooth add on (1000.00) Onboard air for two seats in the JCI until 2011 asking \$23000 OBO Please call 080-3755-3434 or email grant@fismages.com Grant Wilson

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Yokota, Japan - 92 Toyota Mark II Tourer V - Must Sell! Twin Turbo, runs great Sun roof Fun car to drive Price is negotiable. JCI until July 2011 Black w/gray interior - Picture comment soon! Asking \$1600 OBO HP 717-265-2612 C call 080-3416-6335 or email zdbrwn360@gmail.com Zac Brown

Yokota, Japan - '93 Ario Power locks, windows, seats New tint 18 rims w/ good rubber Sound system A/C & heater Down low 80,000 km JCI until 2010 June 3000 OBO. Please email mist_stephanie_kel@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - 99 BMW R1100R, PCS in Jan. Great shape, clean bike with ABS, heated handgrips, adjustable seat high and new tires. Check out this site for more details. http://www.totalmotorcycle.com/buyersguide/buyr1100r R1100RABS-R1150TFM well maintained 22,000k very low miles for this classic boxer style beemr JCI until Dec. 2011 asking \$4900 Please call Roger 1-702-946-6078

Yokota, Japan - Honda Domini Great car! Excellent on gas! I just put new tires on it this past month. The radiator belt has been changed, the oil was recently changed. JCI is good until Sept. 2010. Can fit 3 car seats easily in the back large trunk. Newer CD player with IPOD hook-up! Only selling due to PCS car will be handed over Nov. 16-2009. Asking \$1200 OBO! Please call 3145553462 or email cowan04@hotmail.com

Yokota, Japan - Honda Legend - cheap 2 years JCI 10" subs/w/ amp runs smooth no problems asking \$1300. Please call 08034889479 or email cmsales1@hotmail.com

Yokota, Japan - Honda Legend 95s JCI 1992 model runs smooth/fast great sound system Gets good gas mileage. Email cmsales1@hotmail.com if interested. Need to get the car out of my name ASAP Asking \$1500 OBO

Yokota, Japan - Toyota Toin Ace PCS Sale, Must Go! Minor superficial flaws, but engine runs great! Excellent family car, good for road trips and commissary runs. JCI until Feb 10, but leaving in November Get it now! Asking price \$700 OBO Please call Scott 080-3204-4904

Zama, Japan - 1997 Nissan March, all taxes, inspection and JCI good until July 2011, 52,500 kms. AT, AC, PS, PW, RC, Aqua Green, 1 Ltr Eng. very good condition. Available 11 Nov 09, for sale \$900.00 or possible trade plus cash for your car. Call 080-3459-7363 or 209-201-0361.

Motorcycles 164

Atsugi - 2007 Harley Davidson SLT "Fatboy" Includes passenger seat, removable backrest (highly desirable by your passenger), saddlebag, and all factory manuals! Other extras are available. If you want to buy a bargain priced HD to ride while you are here in Japan, this is an increasingly rare opportunity. I'm asking \$19,000.00. This bike is priced to sell. I'm only selling it because I'm PCS'ing back home and I don't need two Harleys. I have a 2006 Deluxe in storage back home. 080-5680-3650. Please leave a message if unanswered.

Misawa, Japan - FOR SALE: 1993 Honda Steed 40cc - JCI good until Aug 2011 \$2,200 Call Maria or Keith at 080-4283-5002

Yokota, Japan - 2000 Yamaha TW200 Runs great, call or e-mail for details. JCI until Jan. 2010. Please make an offer. Email talvalga@yahoo.com or call 214-261-6331

Yokota, Japan - 2005 Suzuki Boulevard Awesome Red Cruiser! 400cc Perfect for a beginner or seasoned vet. Only asking \$1300. Please call and rides great! JCI good thru Jan 2010 Comes with cover. JCI until Jan. 2010 Asking price \$3500 OBO please email hellewankel@yahoo.com or call 080-3241-3165

Auto Parts 180

Atsugi - 4 rims and tires, original OEM Corveta ZR1. Rims with tires. Rims have no damage (like new), BLACK with polished lip. Tires are Sumitomos ZR rated, hardly any treadwear. Will fit Camaro, Corvette, or most GMC/Chevy Pickups. Front: 275/40 ZR17 Rear: 315/35 ZR17, \$900 OBO. Call Tony @ 264-5246 / 08033505521

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Yokota, Japan - Baby Swing From small infants to babies up to 25 lbs. Good sturdy swing with several musical tunes, several swinging speeds and mobile. Asking \$20 OBO Please call 973-900-8980

Yokota, Japan - Eddie Bauer travel system car seat/ stroller combi. The system includes an infant car seat much more than easier for you, and your little one, to transition from car to stroller. The large storage basket on the stroller springs down easily for you to load up with shopping treasures or larger items you need to take along for the ride. When you have finished the One in use and the 1-hand fold n' stand with self-lock makes storing the stroller easy. Slightly used but in very good condition. Retail for \$209 selling for half price. Call or email for more info. 090-1269-4102-1-971-244-0524 / jeff.millertime@junco.com

Baby Items 200

Yokota, Japan - Medela Pump in Style Advanced Breast Pump Double Electric Breast Pump for sale. I spent a lot on this pump but could only use it for a few weeks. It was worth every penny though! I also bought the car adapter for use on long trips. That is included. A double electric personal use breast pump ideal for daily use. Natural Expression pumping, one touch let-down button designed for faster milk flow. Customized pumping with adjustable speed and vacuum control Stylish backpack contains everything mom needs to pump. Battery Pack for pumping anywhere, anytime. Includes Pump in Style Advanced Breast pump with 2 Phase Expression pumping. If you have any questions please feel free to ask I am asking \$120.00 Please email me: Gfamilyads@gmail.com

Yokota, Japan - Rainforest Jumperoo Baby sits in this and jumps around. Plenty of things to play with, gadgets, music and more. Very safe, sturdy, stands alone. Does not attach to doorway. Barely used less than 1 year old Asking \$20 OBO Please call 973-900-8980

Bicycles 220

Yokohama/Negishi - Mongoose Exile bicycle, 27 speed, 26" tires, yellow in color. Bought in June this year. Intended to ride to work and on weekend area rides. Have owners manual, blue Schwinn bicycle helmet, three key cable lock, light belt, and extra wide seat installed. Have original seat as well. Asking \$100 OBO. Leaving Japan on 30th - call 269-6291 or 080-4073-8157. email: james.r.guest@us.army.mil or jimguest.injapan@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - Fixed gear/single speed riders! Trying to get the SS and Fixie guys/gals on base together to do some weekend rides it's always more fun to ride in group right? Also always good to get together to do bike wrenching and learn some stuff FREE! 080-3755-3434 or email grant@fismages.com

Cellular Phones 280

Yokohama/Negishi - two (2) Softbank model 8125H cell phones, metallic blue color - one has scratched. One in use and the other is inactive. Only need to change SIM card to make them work. Complete with box, manual, and charger. Paid \$156 each - will sell both for \$100 OBO. Leaving Japan on 30th - call 269-6291 or 080-4073-8157. email: james.r.guest@us.army.mil or jimguest.injapan@yahoo.com

Cellular Phones 280

Yokota, Japan - (2) Nokia N95 Cell Phones for Sale. I am selling two 7 months young Nokia N95 cell phones. This phone retails for at least \$250 dollars. I am only asking \$200 per phone, OBO. Ask for Ajay, 080-3703-3941. Thanks!

Yokota, Japan - AU Cell Phone (Touch Screen) Sportivo waterproof touch screen cell phone ready for English AU service. All you need is a service plan! Very nice phone, lightly used, good camera, watches Japanese TV, easy to use and it is compact! For an extra \$20 I will include a Micro SD card 2GB I purchased the phone for \$5000, so this is a good price! Asking \$100 Call 720-988-1770 or email lutsick@hotmail.com

Clothing 320

Yokota, Japan - 12 Month Lady Bug costume Adorable Lady Bug costume, fits 12 months. Comes with lady bug body suit, removable wings and hood with antenna only worn last year 1 time, Asking \$20 Please email supdr4@yahoo.com

Yokota, Japan - Formal Dress Size 8, Forest Green color, worn only once. Laundry, by Design from Nordstrom's Original price \$384.00 Asking \$75 OBO Please call 973-900-8980

Yokota, Japan - summer/Winter Clean out I have two large bags of items that my husband and I are parting with. Have been cleaning out and we are getting rid of items we have barely touched. Bags include: Men Shoes (Nike Shox, Air Force Ones, and more size 11.5/12), Name Brand Men Jeans (size 34x32 and 34x34), Ladies Plus size Old Navy Shirts, work out tops, Men workout pants, Men dress shirts (size XL) and more best offer takes both bags! Please call or e-mail with questions! Thanks! Call CJ 4044784185 or email chantelmjones@yahoo.com

Computers 360

Yokota, Japan - NEW Med Bridge 7.3 HDMI cable High speed HDMI cable, 25 feet long, gold plated connectors, supports up to 1080p. Great quality cable - brand new - never used it because it's so long enough. The cheapest HDMI cable at the exchange is \$35 and not nearly as long as 25 feet. Asking \$40 please call Darrin 6173913655

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NBA roundup

Nuggets' Anthony has eyes on trophy, not scoring title

Forward again tops 40 in victory over Grizzlies

The Associated Press

DENVER — After a taste of playoff success, Carmelo Anthony has a voracious appetite for more.

He's polished up his game and is averaging 37.6 points in the Denver Nuggets' 3-0 start after leading the NBA with a 23.6 average in the preseason.

The Nuggets beat the Memphis Grizzlies in a 133-123 shoot-out Sunday night as Anthony extended his torrid start with 42 points, negating a career-best 40-point night from O.J. Mayo.

For this ascendancy in his game, credit Anthony's accomplishment last spring, when he directed the Nuggets to playoff series victories over New Orleans and Dallas after five straight first-round exits.

His game has only gotten better since leading Denver to the Western Conference finals, in which they lost to the champion Los Angeles Lakers in six games.

While everyone around him is talking about a scoring title or an MVP trophy being in the cards for him this season, Anthony is focused like a laser on one goal.

"I told you all before training camp started I felt better than I ever felt coming into a season," Anthony said after posting consecutive 40-plus-point games for the first time in his six seasons in the NBA. "My stamina feels great. And I just feel good all around, my confidence is up. You know, I've got one thing ahead of me, which is that gold ball."

And thanks to that taste of playoff fulfillment, Melo is more masterful than ever.

Instead of setting up on the block and posting up like he used to, Anthony is getting to the rim from the perimeter when he's not swishing jumpers, and that's made him much harder to defend.

"I think Melo's awareness to how he's being covered is the best it's ever been," Nuggets coach George Karl said. "I think it's his ability to move around and be placed in different positions and his efficiency is pretty incredible right now, from jump shots to post-ups to penetrations to good passing decisions."

Stymied by Anthony's answer to their every run, the Grizzlies, who got double-figure scoring from all five starters, couldn't capitalize on their collective hot hand to pull off a rare victory in the Mile High City, where they've lost 15 of 16 since the franchise moved to Memphis.

Lakers 118, Hawks 110: Kobe Bryant had 41 points and eight rebounds, and Andrew Bynum added 21 points as host Los Angeles pulled away with 18 straight points in the third quarter.

Lamar Odom had 11 points, 14 rebounds and eight assists for the



DAVID ZALUBOWSKI/AP

Denver forward Carmelo Anthony, left, defended by Memphis Grizzlies forward Rudy Gay, is averaging 37.6 points through three games, all victories. After leading the Nuggets to the Western Conference finals last season, Anthony has more than stats on his mind. "I've got one thing ahead of me, which is that gold ball," he said.

defending NBA champions, who bounced back from a loss to Dallas with an overwhelming second half in Atlanta's first defeat.

Celtics 97, Hornets 87: Paul Pierce scored 27 points to help host Boston improve to 4-0.

Chris Paul had 22 points and eight assists for New Orleans, and then had to be held back after the game when he tried to follow the Celtics off the court to their locker room. Paul and Celtics point guard Rajon Rondo also exchanged words in the second quarter, drawing matching technical fouls.

Heat 95, Bulls 87: Dwyane Wade scored 25 points to push his career total to 10,005, and Udonis Haslem had 19 points and 11 rebounds off the bench as host Miami improved to 3-0.

Carlos Arroyo scored 12 points, Mario Chalmers added 11 and Michael Beasley overcame a 3-for-12 shooting night to finish with 10 points and 11 rebounds for the Heat, who took the lead for

good on a jumper by Wade with 3:01 remaining.

Trail Blazers 83, Thunder 74: At Oklahoma City, Steve Blake scored 18 points and Brandon Roy made a late push to finish with 16, and Portland earned a split of a two-game trip.

Roy made just four of his first 16 shots before finally finding a way to hurt Oklahoma City at the free-throw line. While Kevin Durant continued to misfire on jump shots for the Thunder, Roy knifed his way into the lane repeatedly to earn trips to the foul line and help Portland inch away.

Suns 120, Twolves 112: At Phoenix, Channing Frye hit six three-pointers and scored 25 points, and Jason Richardson had 23 points in his first game following a two-game suspension for the undefeated Suns.

Grant Hill had 23 points and 10 rebounds for Phoenix. Amare Stoudemire added 19 points and eight rebounds, and Steve Nash had 14 points and 14 assists.

NBA scoreboard

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Boston	4	0	1.000	—
Philadelphia	2	1	.667	1½
Toronto	1	2	.333	2½
New Jersey	0	3	.000	3½
New York	0	3	.000	3½
Southeast Division				
Miami	3	0	1.000	—
Orlando	3	0	1.000	—
Atlanta	2	1	.667	1
Washington	1	2	.333	2
Charlotte	1	2	.333	2
Central Division				
Cleveland	2	2	.500	—
Milwaukee	1	1	.500	—
Chicago	1	2	.333	½
Detroit	1	2	.333	½
Indiana	0	2	.000	1

Western Conference

Southwest Division				
	W	L	Pct	GB
Dallas	2	1	.667	—
Houston	2	1	.667	—
San Antonio	2	1	.667	—
Memphis	1	2	.333	1
New Orleans	1	2	.333	1
Northwest Division				
Denver	3	0	1.000	—
Oklahoma City	2	1	.667	1
Portland	2	2	.500	1½
Utah	1	1	.500	1½
Minnesota	1	2	.333	2
Pacific Division				
Phoenix	2	0	1.000	—
L.A. Lakers	2	1	.667	1
Golden State	0	2	.000	2½
Sacramento	0	3	.000	3
L.A. Clippers	0	4	.000	3½

Saturday's games

Washington 123, New Jersey 104
Cleveland 90, Charlotte 79
Philadelphia 141, New York 127, OT
Milwaukee 96, Detroit 85
San Antonio 113, Sacramento 94
Houston 111, Portland 107
Dallas 93, L.A. Clippers 84

Sunday's games

Orlando 125, Toronto 116
Miami 95, Chicago 87
Boston 97, New Orleans 87
Portland 83, Oklahoma City 74
Denver 133, Memphis 123
Phoenix 120, Minnesota 112
L.A. Lakers 118, Atlanta 110

Monday's games

New Jersey at New York
New Orleans at Houston
Houston at Utah
Memphis at Sacramento
Minnesota at L.A. Clippers

Tuesday's games

Denver at Indiana
Boston at Philadelphia
Washington at Cleveland
Phoenix at Miami
Orlando at Detroit
Milwaukee at Chicago
L.A. Lakers at Oklahoma City
Utah at Dallas
Atlanta at Portland

Wednesday's games

Phoenix at Orlando
Detroit at Toronto
Miami at Washington
Denver at New Jersey
Indiana at New York
Boston at Minnesota
L.A. Lakers at Houston
Dallas at New Orleans
Atlanta at Sacramento
Memphis at Golden State

Sunday

Magic 125, Raptors 116

ORLANDO — Barnes 3-9 4-4 12, Anderson 7-14 1-2 20, Howard 5-13 14-16 24, Nelson 8-20 9-10 30, Redick 8-14 6-7 27, Gortat 8-3 0-0 0, Am.Johnson 1-1 2-2 4, Bass 3-6 0-0 6, Williams 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 36-82 36-41 125.

TORONTO — Turkoglu 8-13 2-2 19, Bosh 10-20 13-19 35, Bargnani 8-12 6-6 26, Calderon 3-7 4-6 10, DeRozan 3-5 1-2 8, Nesterovic 2-3 0-4, Wright 3-8 0-0 7, Jack 2-4 0-0 5, Belinelli 0-1 0-0 0, Am.Johnson 1-1 0-0 2. Totals 40-74 26 35 116.

Toronto 36 28 35 26-125
Orlando 28 25 36 27-116

Three-Point Goals—Orlando 17-32 (Redick 5-8, Anderson 5-8, Nelson 5-9, Barnes 2-6, Williams 0-1), Toronto 10-17 (Bargnani 4-5, Bosh 2-2, DeRozan 1-1, Wright 1-2, Jack 1-2, Turkoglu 1-3, Calderon 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Orlando 45 (Howard 11), Toronto 49 (Bosh 16). Assists—Orlando 24 (Redick, Nelson 5), Toronto 19 (Calderon 6). Total Fouls—Orlando 23, Toronto 28. Technicals—Barnes, Bosh, Toronto defensive three second. A—18,147 (19,800).

Celtics 97, Hornets 87

NEW ORLEANS — Wright 3-6 0-0 7, West 4-14 1-1 10, Okafor 2-9 1-2 5, Paul 9-13 2-22, Peterson 1-4 0-0 3, B.Brown 3-10 0-8, Stojakovic 9-15 2-26, Posey 0-2 0-0, Armstrong 3-5 0-0 6, Songaila 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 34-81 6-8 87.

BOSTON — Pierce 10-14 4-6 27, Garnett 7-15 0-14, Perkins 5-7 2-4 12, Rondo 3-7 0-6, R.Allen 8-15 0-0 17, House 1-3 2-4, Wallace 5-10 0-0 12, Daniels 1-2 1-2 3, Williams 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 41-76 9-14 97.

New Orleans 20 18 31 18-87
Boston 22 25 25 25-97

Three-Point Goals—New Orleans 13-28 (Stojakovic 6-10, Paul 2-3, B.Brown 2-7, Wright 1-1, West 1-2, Peterson 1-3, Posey 0-2), Boston 6-15 (Pierce 3-5, Wallace 2-5, R.Allen 1-3, House 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—New Orleans 44 (Okafor 10), Boston 45 (Garnett, Perkins 7). Assists—New Orleans 22 (Paul 8), Boston 27 (Rondo 10). Total Fouls—New Orleans 24, Boston 17. Technicals—Paul, Rondo. A—18,624 (18,624).

Heat 95, Bulls 87

CHICAGO — Deng 11-21 4-5 26, Thomas 1-4 2-2 4, Noah 4-7 2-2 10, Rose 4-15 0-2 8, Salmons 7-14 2-2 17, Gibson 2-4 0-0 4, Hinrich 3-11 1-2 7, Miller 4-10 2-2 11, Pargo 0-2 0-0 0. Totals 36-88 13-17 87.

MIAMI — Richardson 2-6 0-0 6, Beasley 3-12 4-5 10, O'Neal 3-6 2-3 8, Chalmers 3-5 4-4 11, Wade 8-19 8-10 25, Haslem 9-13 1-1 19, Arroyo 5-7 2-2 12, Anthony 1-2 0-0 2, Wright 1-2 0-0 2. Totals 35-72 21-25 95.

Chicago 27 21 22 17-87
Miami 24 25 20 26-95

Three-Point Goals—Chicago 2-12 (Miller 1-3, Salmons 1-5, Pargo 0-1, Hinrich 0-3), Miami 4-15 (Richardson 2-5, Chalmers 1-2, Wade 1-4, Wright 0-1, Beasley 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Chicago 50 (Deng 8), Miami 47 (Haslem, Beasley 11). Assists—Chicago 13 (Rose 5), Miami 15 (Chalmers 4). Total Fouls—Chicago 17, Miami 15. Technicals—Chicago defensive three second. A—15,865 (19,600).

Trail Blazers 83, Thunder 74

PORTLAND — Webster 4-12 1-2 10, Aldridge 2-5 2-2 6, Oden 4-5 4-12, Blake 6-9 2-2 18, Roy 5-17 5-7 16, Przybilla 1-4 0-0 2, Miller 1-1 2-2 4, Fernandez 0-3 1-2 1, Outlaw 4-10 2-4 12, Howard 1-3 0-0 2. Totals 28-69 19-25 83.

OKLAHOMA CITY — Durant 3-21 10-14 16, Green 6-14 6-8 19, Krstic 4-4 0-0 0, Westbrook 8-12 7-10 23, Sefolosha 1-2 0-0 2, Ollie 2-3 0-0 4, Thomas 2-4 0-0 4, Harden 2-9 0-0 6, Collision 0-1 0-0 0. Totals 24-70 23-32 74.

Portland 25 14 21 23-83
Oklahoma City 15 22 19 18-74

Three-Point Goals—Portland 8-21 (Blake 4-5, Outlaw 2-4, Webster 1-5, Roy 1-5, Fernandez 0-2), Oklahoma City 3-14 (Harden 2-3, Green 1-4, Krstic 0-1, Westbrook 0-1, Durant 0-5). Fouled Out—Westbrook. Rebounds—Portland 47 (Oden 10), Oklahoma City 55 (Green 11). Assists—Portland 16 (Roy 5), Oklahoma City 6 (Westbrook, Harden 2). Total Fouls—Portland 26, Oklahoma City 25. Technicals—Portland Coach McMillan. A—16,920 (18,203).

Suns 120, Timberwolves 112

MINNESOTA — Gomes 10-13 1-2 23, Pecherov 4-10 0-0 8, Jefferson 9-23 3-21, Flynn 4-9 2-2 11, Brewer 8-18 3-6 19, Sessions 4-10 1-3 9, Hollins 2-3 2-2 6, Wilkins 1-2 2-2 5, Cardinal 0-0 2-2 2, Pavlovic 0-1 1-1 1, Ellington 3-8 0-0 7. Totals 45-97 17-23 112.

PHOENIX — Hill 8-16 6-6 23, Stoudemire 6-11 7-7 19, Frye 8-12 3-4 25, Nash 5-12 2-2 14, Richardson 8-14 3-23 21, Dudley 1-5 2-2 4, Clark 0-0 0-0 0, Barbosa 3-3 0-2 6, Dragic 1-4 0-2 3, Amundson 1-5 1-2 3. Totals 41-82 24-30 120.

Minnesota 34 27 24 27-112
Phoenix 35 32 29 24-120

Three-Point Goals—Minnesota 5-11 (Gomes 2-2, Wilkins 1-1, Ellington 1-1, Flynn 1-2, Pecherov 0-1, Sessions 0-1, Pavlovic 0-1, Brewer 0-1), Phoenix 14-26 (Frye 6-10, Richardson 4-7, Nash 2-4, Hill 1-1, Dragic 1-2, Dudley 0-2). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Minnesota 54 (Gomes 15), Phoenix 51 (Hill 10). Assists—Minnesota 24 (Gomes, Jefferson 5, Sessions 4), Phoenix 22 (Nash 14). Total Fouls—Minnesota 24, Phoenix 17. Technicals—Phoenix defensive three second. A—15,376 (18,422).

Nuggets 133, Grizzlies 123

MEMPHIS — Gay 7-13 4-7 18, Randolph 6-11 0-0 12, Gasol 7-9 6-8 20, Conley 4-9 1-21, Mayo 17-25 2-24, Carroll 0-5 4-4 4, Williams 3-5 0-4 7, Hunter 1-1 0-0 2, Young 2-4 2-2 7, Thabeet 1-0 0-0 2, Haddadi 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 48-83 19-29 123.

DENVER — Anthony 15-26 11-12 42, Martin 8-13 0-2 16, Nene 6-6 9-18, Billups 6-14 7-7 27, Carter 2-2 0-0 6, Andersen 3-5 6-12 12, Ffialdo 3-7 0-0 7, Lawson 8-8 0-0 3, Graham 1-4 0-0 2, Allen 0-0 0-0 0. Totals 47-85 30-37 133.

Memphis 40 26 28 29-123
Denver 35 32 36 30-133

Three-Point Goals—Memphis 8-18 (Mayo 4-8, Conley 2-5, Williams 1-1, Young 1-2, Gay 0-2), Denver 9-17 (Billups 3-7, Carter 2-2, Lawson 2-3, Afflalo 1-1, Anthony 1-3, Martin 0-1). Fouled Out—Thabeet. Rebounds—Memphis 51 (Gasol 11), Denver 39 (Nene 9). Assists—Memphis 27 (Randolph 7), Denver 36 (Billups 12). Total Fouls—Memphis 33, Denver 23. Technicals—Denver defensive three second. A—15,823 (19,155).

Lakers 118, Hawks 110

ATLANTA — Williams 1-6 4-4 6, Jos. Smith 3-10 1-1 7, Horford 3-8 0-0 6, Bibby 5-10 2-2 15, Johnson 8-16 8-10 27, Crawford 6-14 5-5 17, Evans 2-5 0-0 4, Pachulia 4-7 0-0 8, Teague 5-7 2-2 12, J. Smith 3-6 2-8. Totals 40-89 23-26 110.

L.A. LAKERS — Artest 5-11 2-12 12, Odom 4-8 2-2 11, Bynum 8-14 5-6 21, Fisher 3-7 0-0 6, Bryant 15-29 10-11 41, Farmer 1-4 2-5, Mbenga 1-1 1-2 3, Vujacic 1-2 0-0 2, Walton 4-6 0-0 8, Brown 1-1 0-0 3, Powell 3-3 0-0 6. Totals 46-87 21-25 118.

Atlanta 25 33 18 34-110
L.A. Lakers 27 37 34 20-118

Three-Point Goals—Atlanta 7-23 (Johnson 3-6, Bibby 3-6, Teague 1-1, J. Smith 0-1, Evans 0-2, Williams 0-2, Crawford 0-5), L.A. 15-21 (Bryant 5-15, Brown 1-1, Bryant 1-2, Odom 1-2, Farmer 1-2, Artest 1-4, Walton 0-1, Fisher 0-3). Fouled Out—None. Rebounds—Atlanta 46 (Horford, Johnson 9), L.A. Lakers 51 (Odom 14). Assists—Atlanta 21 (Jos.Smith 7), L.A. Lakers 26 (Odom 8). Total Fouls—Atlanta 21, L.A. Lakers 20. Technicals—L.A. Lakers defensive three second. A—18,997 (18,997).

NHL roundup

Jackets rally past Capitals

The Associated Press

WASHINGTON — Both times the Columbus Blue Jackets fell behind in the third period, Raffi Torres bailed them out.

Torres' second goal of the period with 23 seconds left sent the game to overtime and R.J. Umberger got his second of the game 1:45 into the extra period to lift the Blue Jackets to a 5-4 victory over the Washington Capitals on Sunday night.

"He stepped up for sure," Columbus' Rick Nash said of Torres. "That first one was huge. Good battle down low, good wrap-around."

Capitals star Alex Ovechkin left the game with an injury in the second period, and his teammates tried to use his absence for motivation in the third period.

"It was kind of a rallying cry," said Quintin Laing, who scored his first goal of the season in the third. "We wanted to prove this team isn't about one guy, it's about a team, and we wanted to show people we can come back."

Columbus led 2-1 going into the final period, but fell behind after Brooks Laich scored twice in a span of 2:08 midway through the third. Torres answered Laich's two goals by tying the game at 3 with a wraparound at 13:36.

Laing regained the lead for Washington with 3:26 left in the third, but Torres tied it again in the final minute.

"I thought we played a pretty good third," Capitals center Brendan Morrison said. "We rallied and did a lot of good things offensively, and then we just go and shoot ourselves in the foot. It is frustrating because it was a game we should have won."

Ovechkin was involved in a shoving match in front of the Blue Jackets bench barely a minute into the second period. A few minutes later, Ovechkin was tangled up with Columbus left wing Raffi Torres and fell to the ice. After he got up, he grimaced and gingerly skated off the ice, heading straight to the locker room.

After the game, Ovechkin declined to comment on the nature of the injury, other than calling it "upper body."

"I can't tell you how I got hurt," he said. "It's day-to-day."

Nash scored the Blue Jackets' first goal at the 5-minute mark of



LUIS M. ALVAREZ/AP

The Washington Capitals' Alex Ovechkin (8) is restrained by a referee during an altercation with Columbus' Jared Boll, not pictured, during the second period Sunday in Washington. Ovechkin left later with an upper body injury, and the Blue Jackets won 5-4 in overtime.

the second period. He sped past defenseman Mike Green and then put a move on goalie Jose Theodore for his seventh goal in seven career games against Washington.

Nash also had two assists. He set up Umberger's overtime winner, and had a hand in a fluke play that led to Umberger's first goal.

On a power play, Nash dumped the puck into the Capitals zone down the right side. As Theodore went behind the net to play the puck, it appeared to bounce off a seam in the boards back in front of the goal and Umberger put it into the empty net.

"It's a big win, but we've still got a lot of work to do," Nash said. "When we play on the road, we can't be taking too many penalties. We made some defensive errors when the game was tied. Just got to sharpen up those areas."

Ovechkin missed all of the late action after leaving the game at the 6:10 mark of the second period, but he was in the middle of things as the second period started.

During a break in play barely a minute into the period, Ovechkin was bumped by Columbus left wing Jason Chimera. Ovechkin responded with a shove and players from both teams skated over to the scrum.

Ovechkin, Chimera and Blue Jackets right wing Jared Boll all received minors for rough-

ing, and Boll was also issued a misconduct.

Ovechkin downplayed the incident afterward.

"It was just a moment of the game," Ovechkin said. "Nothing happened. He just hit me, I hit him, there was a little battle there, nothing happened."

Chimera said the scuffle was a result of a hard hit by Ovechkin earlier in the game.

"He kind of throw a punch at me, and then Boller kind of got into it and it was a mess. I hope he's all right," Chimera said. "There was no intent to hurt somebody out there. He just hit me pretty hard that one shift, so I just let him know 'You're not going to hit me like that all game,' so I pushed him a bit, he punched me back in the face, and a couple shifts later he's off the ice, so I hope he's all right."

Canucks 3, Avalanche 0: At Vancouver, Mason Raymond and Ryan Kesler each had a goal and an assist and Andrew Raycroft made 18 saves to lead Vancouver.

Tanner Glass rounded out the scoring midway through the third period as the Canucks won for the sixth time in the past seven home games.

Craig Anderson made 17 saves but the Western Conference-leading Avalanche lost consecutive games in regulation for the first time.

NHL scoreboard

Eastern Conference

Atlantic Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Pittsburgh	14	11	3	0	22	48	31
N.Y. Rangers	15	9	5	1	19	50	39
New Jersey	12	8	4	0	16	31	28
Philadelphia	11	6	4	1	13	39	32
N.Y. Islanders	13	4	4	5	13	34	41
Northeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Buffalo	11	8	2	1	17	33	24
Montreal	14	7	7	0	14	38	45
Ottawa	12	6	4	2	14	37	37
Boston	13	6	6	1	13	33	35
Toronto	12	1	7	4	6	30	50
Southeast Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Washington	14	8	2	4	20	52	44
Tampa Bay	11	4	3	4	12	30	36
Atlanta	10	5	4	1	11	34	29
Florida	12	4	7	1	9	32	44
Carolina	13	2	8	3	7	28	50

Western Conference

Central Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Chicago	13	8	4	1	17	39	31
Columbus	13	7	5	1	15	42	46
Nashville	13	6	6	1	13	28	38
Detroit	12	5	4	3	13	38	42
St. Louis	12	5	6	1	11	29	33
Northwest Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
Colorado	15	10	3	2	22	45	34
Vancouver	15	8	7	0	16	42	41
Calgary	12	7	4	1	15	44	39
Edmonton	14	7	6	1	15	44	43
Minnesota	14	5	9	0	10	31	42
Pacific Division	GP	W	L	OT	Pts	GF	GA
San Jose	15	10	4	1	21	52	38
Phoenix	13	9	4	0	18	35	25
Los Angeles	14	8	4	2	18	46	42
Dallas	14	6	3	5	17	48	45
Anaheim	12	4	6	2	10	34	42

NOTE: Two points for a win, one point for overtime loss.

Saturday's games

Boston 2, Edmonton 0
Philadelphia 6, Carolina 1
Atlanta 3, Ottawa 1
New Jersey 2, Tampa Bay 1, SO
Montreal 5, Toronto 4, SO
N.Y. Islanders 5, Buffalo 0
Minnesota 2, Pittsburgh 1
Florida 4, St. Louis 0
Nashville 4, Dallas 2
Phoenix 3, Anaheim 2, SO
Detroit 3, Calgary 1

Sunday's games

N.Y. Rangers 1, Boston 0
San Jose 5, Carolina 1
Columbus 5, Washington 4, OT
Vancouver 3, Colorado 0

Monday's games

Tampa Bay at Philadelphia
Edmonton at N.Y. Islanders
Los Angeles at Phoenix

Tuesday's games

Boston at Detroit
Tampa Bay at Toronto
Atlanta at Montreal
N.Y. Rangers at Vancouver
Pittsburgh at Anaheim

Sunday

Rangers 1, Bruins 0

Boston 0 0 0-0
N.Y. Rangers 0 1 0-1
Second Period—1, N.Y. Rangers, Gaborik 11 (Prosperal, Staal), 15:51.

Shots on Goal—Boston 8-7-14=29, N.Y. Rangers 11-6-23.

Power-play opportunities—Boston 0 of 5; N.Y. Rangers 0 of 2.

Goalies—Boston: Thomas 4-5-0 (23 shots-22 saves). N.Y. Rangers: Lundqvist 8-4-1 (29-29).

A—18,200 (18,200). T—2:15.

Sharks 5, Hurricanes 1

San Jose 0 3 2-5
Carolina 0 1 0-1

Second Period—1, Carolina, Sutter 2 (Harrison, LaRose), 2:48. 2, San Jose, Huskins 1 (Demers, Clowe), 4:05. 3, San Jose, Staubitz 2 (Shelley, Couture), 5:27. 4, San Jose, Murray 1 (Thornton, Clowe), 14:52.

Third Period—5, San Jose, Vlasic 2 (Marleau, Blake), 4:20. 6, San Jose, Marleau 11 (Thornton, Heatley), 11:12 (pp.).

Shots on Goal—San Jose 9-11-5=25. Carolina 8-5-13=26.

Power-play opportunities—San Jose 1 of 5; Carolina 0 of 3.

Goalies—San Jose, Nabokov 9-3-1 (26 shots-25 saves). Carolina, C.Ward 2-7-3 (25-20).

A—15,089 (18,680). T—2:19.

Blue Jackets 5, Capitals 4 (OT)

Columbus 0 2 2-1-5
Washington 1 0 3 0-4

First Period—1, Washington, Backstrom 4 (Fleischmann, Semin), 12:13.

Second Period—2, Columbus, Nash 9 (Tyutin, Chimera), 5:03. 3, Columbus, Umberger 3 (Nash, Stralman), 19:01 (pp.).

Third Period—4, Washington, Laich 5 (Poti, Semin), 8:15 (pp.). 5, Washington, Laich 6 (Morrison, Green), 10:23. 6, Columbus, Torres 5 (Chimera, Pahlsson), 13:36. 7, Washington, Laing 1 (Steckel, Bradley), 16:34. 8, Columbus, Torres 6 (Brassard, Voracek), 19:37.

Overtime—9, Columbus, Umberger 4 (Nash, Voracek), 1:45 (pp.).

Shots on Goal—Columbus 11-8-11=32. Washington 13-11-12=36.

Power-play opportunities—Columbus 2 of 6; Washington 1 of 5.

Goalies—Columbus, Mason 6-4-1 (36 shots-32 saves). Garon (17:36 third, 0-0). Mason 6-4-1 (19:37 third). Washington, Theodore 3-2-4 (32-27).

A—18,277 (18,277). T—2:36.

Canucks 3, Avalanche 0

Colorado 0 0 0-0
Vancouver 1 1 1-3

First Period—1, Vancouver, Raymond 5 (Edler, Kesler), 11:05.

Second Period—2, Vancouver, Kesler 5 (Salo, Raymond), 6:28.

Third Period—3, Vancouver, Glass 1 (Rypien), 9:25.

Shots on Goal—Colorado 6-7-5=18. Vancouver 4-8-8=20.

Power-play opportunities—Colorado 0 of 3; Vancouver 0 of 3.

Goalies—Colorado, Anderson 10-3-2 (20 shots-17 saves). Vancouver, Raycroft 2-1-0 (18-18).

A—18,810 (18,630). T—2:13.

NHL calendar

Jan. 1 — Winter Classic: Philadelphia Flyers vs. Boston Bruins at Fenway Park.
Feb. 15-Feb. 28 — Olympic break.
April 11 — Regular season ends.



Colorado's Chris Durno, right, keeps a close eye on the puck while jostling for position with the Vancouver Canucks' Mikael Samuelsson in Vancouver on Sunday.

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SCOREBOARD

Sports on AFN

Tuesday
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—NBA: New Jersey at Charlotte (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.—NFL: Atlanta at New Orleans (dld).
Wednesday
AFN-Sports, 3 a.m.—MLB playoffs: World Series, Game 5, N.Y. Yankees at Philadelphia (dld).
AFN-Xtra, 9 a.m.—NHL: Boston at Detroit.
AFN-Sports, 10 a.m.—NBA: L.A. Lakers at Oklahoma City.
AFN-Xtra, noon—NBA: Atlanta at Portland.
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—College football: Bowling Green at Buffalo (dld).
AFN-Sports, 10 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 1, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down).
AFN-Sports, 11:30 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 2, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down).

Thursday
AFN-Sports, 3 a.m.—NBA: Orlando at Detroit (dld).
AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.—NBA: Miami at Washington, if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Xtra, 9 a.m.—NHL: Washington at New Jersey, if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Sports, 9 a.m.—NBA: Miami at Washington, if World Series, Game 6, is necessary.
AFN-Sports, 9:30 a.m.—MLB playoffs: World Series, Game 6, Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, if necessary.
AFN-Sports, 11:30 a.m.—NBA: Dallas at New Orleans, if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Xtra, 11:30 a.m.—NBA: Dallas at New Orleans, if World Series, Game 6, is necessary.
AFN-Xtra, 12:30 p.m.—NBA: Memphis at Golden State, if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—NBA: Dallas at New Orleans, (dld, 2-hour cutdown), if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Sports, 5 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 3, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down), if World Series, Game 6, is necessary.
AFN-Sports, 6:30 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 4, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down), if World Series, Game 6, is necessary.
AFN-Sports, 7 p.m.—NBA: Miami at Washington (dld, 2-hour cutdown), if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Sports, 9 p.m.—MLB playoffs: World Series, Game 6, Philadelphia at N.Y. Yankees, if necessary.
AFN-Sports, 10 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 3, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down), if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.
AFN-Sports, 11:30 p.m.—NFL RePLAY: Game 4, teams TBD (dld, 90-minute cut-down), if World Series, Game 6, is not necessary.

All times are Japan and Korea Standard; (dld) indicates delayed broadcast. All listings are subject to change. Visit www.myafn.net for more information.

High school

Japan
Girls volleyball
At Sasebo Naval Base
Saturday's summaries
Matthew C. Perry def. Fukuoka International 25-13, 25-8, 25-6
Spike kills—Perry, Bria Raines 10. **Service aces**—Perry, Bre'Onna Ray 6, Ari Mocarski 6. **Block points**—Perry, Kelli Clark 3. **Set assists**—Perry, Bre'Onna Ray 8. **Matthew C. Perry def. E.J. King 25-23, 25-23, 26-24**
Spike kills—Perry, Shavonte Wade 7. **Kelli Clark 6. Block points**—Perry, Shavonte Wade 4. **Set assists**—Perry, Bre'Onna Ray 8, Ari Mocarski 6. **Defensive digs**—Perry, Miranda Croom 9, Danielle Shoebrook 6, Bria Raines 6, Bre'Onna Ray 5.
Friday's score
Matthew C. Perry def. E.J. King 21-25, 15-25, 25-20, 25-19, 15-11

College hockey

Sunday's scores
EAST
Air Force 4, Canisius 1
Merrimack 5, Boston College 3
SOUTH
Bemidji St. 2, Ala.-Huntsville 1, OT
MIDWEST
Minnesota 4, Alaska Anchorage 1

Boxing

Fight schedule
Nov. 7
At XL Center, Hartford, Conn., Chad Dawson, New Haven, Conn., vs. Glen Johnson, Miami, 12, for vacant interim WBC light heavyweight title; Harry Joe Yorgey, Bridgeport, Pa., vs. Alfredo Angulo, Mexico, 10, junior middleweights.

Pro soccer

MLS playoffs
EASTERN CONFERENCE Semifinals
Columbus vs. Real Salt Lake
Real Salt Lake 1, Columbus 0
Thursday: Real Salt Lake at Columbus
Chicago vs. New England
Sunday: New England 2, Chicago 1
Saturday: New England at Chicago
Championship
Thursday, Nov. 12: Semifinal winners
Saturday, Nov. 14: Semifinal winners
WESTERN CONFERENCE Semifinals
Los Angeles vs. Chivas USA
Sunday: Los Angeles 2, Chivas USA 2, tie
Sunday, Nov. 8: Chivas USA at Los Angeles
Houston vs. Seattle
Houston 0, Seattle 0, tie
Sunday, Nov. 8: Seattle at Houston
Championship
Thursday, Nov. 12: Semifinal winners
Saturday, Nov. 14: Semifinal winners
MLS Cup at Seattle
Sunday, Nov. 22: Conference champions

Sunday
Revolution 2, Fire 1
Chicago New England 1 0-1 1 1-2
First half—1, Chicago, Rolfe 7, 17th minute, 2, New England, Osei 1 (Mansally), 46th+.
Second half—3, New England, Joseph 9 (Phelan, Larentowicz), 75th.
Goalies—Chicago, Jon Busch; New England, Matt Reis.
Yellow Cards—Alston, New England, 41st; Husicid, Chicago, 96th+.
A—7,416 (68,756).

Galaxy 2, Chivas USA 2
Los Angeles 2 0-2 1 1-2
Chivas USA 1 1-2
First half—1, Chivas USA, Santos 2 (Kijestjan), 4th minute, 2, Los Angeles, Magee 3, 14th, 3, Los Angeles, Donovan 13, 42nd.
Second half—4, Chivas USA, Galindo 5, 51st.
Goalies—Los Angeles, Donovan Ricketts; Chivas USA, Zach Thornton.
Yellow Cards—Birchall, Los Angeles, 28th; Saragosa, Chivas USA, 82nd.
A—25,218 (27,000).

Deals

Sunday's transactions
BASKETBALL
National Basketball Association
New York Fined New York F I Al Harrington \$25,000 for publicly criticizing game officials on Oct. 30.
INDIANA PACERS—Exercised contract options on C Roy Hibbert and G Brandon Rush.
HOCKEY
National Hockey League
ATLANTA THRASHERS—Assigned F Jason Krog to Chicago (AHL).
ST. LOUIS BLUES—Assigned D Tyson Strachan and C Yan Stastny to Peoria (AHL).

AP spotlight

Nov. 4
1960 — Wilt Chamberlain of Philadelphia scores 44 points and sets an NBA record by missing all 10 of his free throws as the Warriors beat the Detroit Pistons 136-121.
1962 — Sonny Randle of the St. Louis Cardinals catches 16 passes for 256 yards and a touchdown in a 31-28 loss to the New York Giants.
1976 — Baseball holds its first free agent draft with 24 players from 13 major league clubs participating. Reggie Jackson eventually signs the most lucrative contract of the group, \$2.9 million over five years with the New York Yankees.
2000 — In the highest-scoring Division I-AA game in NCAA history, Ricky Ray passes for 344 yards and three touchdowns and scores three TDs to lead Sacramento State over Cal State Northridge 64-61.

Auto racing

AMP Energy 500
NASCAR Sprint Cup
Sunday
At Talladega Superspeedway
Talladega, Ala.
Lap length: 2.66 miles
(Start position in parentheses)
1. (22) Jamie McMurray, Ford, 191 laps, 99.4 rating, 195 points, \$229,275.
2. (11) Kasey Kahne, Dodge, 191, 75.1, 175, \$212,098.
3. (20) Joey Logano, Toyota, 191, 91.2, 170, \$184,301.
4. (8) Greg Biffle, Ford, 191, 77.5, 160, \$142,500.
5. (18) Jeff Burton, Chevrolet, 191, 100.8, 160, \$156,706.
6. (1) Jimmie Johnson, Chevrolet, 191, 70.3, 150, \$151,876.
7. (33) Michael Waltrip, Toyota, 191, 69.7, 151, \$110,675.
8. (36) Brad Keselowski, Dodge, 191, 89.4, 147, \$94,150.
9. (26) Elliott Sadler, Ford, 191, 80.8, 143, \$97,875.
10. (37) Bobby Labonte, Chevrolet, 191, 70.3, 134, \$90,300.
11. (24) Dale Earnhardt Jr., Chevrolet, 191, 110.5, 135, \$106,325.
12. (15) Clint Bowyer, Chevrolet, 191, 66.7, 127, \$93,650.
13. (12) Brian Vickers, Toyota, 191, 82.6, 124, \$112,648.
14. (10) Carl Edwards, Ford, 191, 70, 126, \$139,431.
15. (13) Kyle Busch, Toyota, 191, 91.1, 123, \$127,071.
16. (29) Reed Sorenson, Dodge, 191, 50.1, 115, \$119,051.
17. (28) David Ragan, Ford, 191, 89.2, 112, \$89,600.
18. (41) Robert Richardson Jr., Toyota, 191, 48.7, 109, \$77,250.
19. (5) Juan Pablo Montoya, Chevrolet, 191, 97.3, 111, \$115,248.
20. (3) Jeff Gordon, Chevrolet, 191, 98.1, 108, \$119,351.
21. (21) Kevin Harvick, Chevrolet, 191, 101.9, 105, \$122,578.
22. (30) David Stremme, Dodge, 191, 83.6, 102, \$112,340.
23. (35) John Andretti, Chevrolet, 191, 47.4, 99, \$88,075.
24. (14) Matt Kenseth, Ford, 191, 83, 91, \$121,790.
25. (30) Casey Mears, Chevrolet, 191, 91.4, 93, \$93,750.
26. (16) David Reutimann, Toyota, 191, 67.8, 90, \$104,873.
27. (38) Scott Speed, Toyota, accident, 190, 43.3, 82, \$94,573.
28. (2) Mark Martin, Chevrolet, accident, 190, 74.1, 84, \$85,750.
29. (42) Max Papis, Toyota, 190, 42.2, 76, \$74,600.
30. (6) Kurt Busch, Dodge, accident, 189, 65.8, 78, \$93,425.
31. (23) Martin Truex Jr., Chevrolet, accident, 189, 74.8, 75, \$112,765.
32. (34) Robby Gordon, Toyota, accident, 189, 70, 72, \$95,335.
33. (25) AJ Allmendinger, Dodge, 189, 34.9, 64, \$74,875.
34. (17) Marcos Ambrose, Toyota, 188, 67.6, 66, \$88,323.
35. (4) Tony Stewart, Chevrolet, accident, 183, 67.4, 63, \$85,648.
36. (7) Ryan Newman, Chevrolet, accident, 183, 63.7, 60, \$101,054.
37. (31) Erik Darnell, Ford, 167, 39.5, 52, \$100,929.

Golf

KOLON Championship
LPGA Tour
Sunday
At Sky 72 Golf Club (Ocean Course)
Incheon, South Korea
Purse: \$1.7 million
Yardage: 6,406; Par: 72
Final
Na Yeon Choi, \$255,000 68-71-67-206 -10
Maria Hjorth, \$136,819 68-72-67-207 -9
Yani Tseng, \$136,819 69-70-68-207 -9
Ran Hong, \$88,997 70-71-69-210 -6
Song-Hee Kim, \$71,633 69-72-71-212 -4
Jiyai Shi, \$58,609 67-76-70-213 -3
Brittany Lang, \$41,461 73-73-68-214 -2
Anna Nordqvist, \$41,461 70-73-71-214 -2
Se Ri Pak, \$41,461 70-72-72-214 -2
Inbee Park, \$41,461 70-71-73-214 -2
Bo-Mee Lee, \$29,543 73-74-68-215 -1
Juli Inkster, \$29,543 70-76-69-215 -1
Mumoko Ueda, \$29,543 70-75-70-215 -1
Jee Young Lee, \$29,543 70-72-73-215 -1
Hee Young Park, \$21,446 74-70-70-216 -1
Sandra Gal, \$21,446 71-75-70-216 -1

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38. (9) Denny Hamlin, Toyota, engine, 137, 83.6, 54, \$91,175.
39. (43) Regan Smith, Chevrolet, engine, 99, 39.1, 46, \$73,050.
40. (27) Sam Hornish Jr., Dodge, engine, 44, 51.9, 43, \$91,670.
41. (40) Dave Blaney, Toyota, vibration, 12, 27.9, 40, \$72,755.
42. (32) Paul Menard, Ford, accident, 4, 24.8, 37, \$103,031.
43. (39) Joe Nemecek, Toyota, accident, 4, 24.4, 34, \$73,006.
Race Statistics
Average Speed of Race Winner: 157.213 mph.
Time of Race: 3 hours, 13 minutes, 54 seconds.
Margin of Victory: Under Caution.
Caution Flags: 6 for 23 laps.
Lead Changes: 58 among 25 drivers.
Lap Leaders: M.Martin 1; K.Busch 2-8; C.Edwards 9; D.Reutimann 10; C.Edwards 11; D.Reutimann 12-16; J.Gordon 17-21; C.Mears 22-41; D.Earnhardt Jr. 42; E.Sadler 43-46; J.Burton 47; R.Newman 48; T.Stewart 49; M.Waltrip 50-51; E.Sadler 52-57; D.Hamlin 58; E.Sadler 59; D.Earnhardt Jr. 60-61; D.Hamlin 62; K.Harvick 63-88; D.Earnhardt Jr. 89; J.Montoya 90; K.Harvick 91; M.Martin 92-97; M.Ambrose 98-99; D.Hamlin 100-105; J.Andretti 106; D.Hamlin 107-108; R.Gordon 109-110; J.Burton 111; J.Gordon 112-113; R.Gordon 114; E.Sadler 115; D.Earnhardt Jr. 116-118; D.Hamlin 119; K.Busch 120-122; R.Newman 123-124; K.Busch 125; J.Burton 126; J.Gordon 127-130; D.Stremme 131-135; B.Keselowski 136-139; J.Andretti 140; B.Keselowski 141-143; J.Gordon 144; K.Harvick 145; M.Trux Jr. 146; K.Kahne 147; J.Burton 148; J.McMurray 149-150; J.Burton 151; J.McMurray 152; M.Ambrose 153; J.McMurray 154-167; D.Earnhardt Jr. 168-169; J.McMurray 170-175; D.Stremme 176-180; J.McMurray 181-191.
Leaders Summary (Driver, Times Led, Laps Led): J.McMurray, 1 times for 32 laps; K.Harvick, 3 times for 28 laps; C.Mears, 1 time for 20 laps; E.Sadler, 4 times for 12 laps; J.Gordon, 4 times for 12 laps; D.Hamlin, 5 times for 11 laps; D.Stremme, 2 times for 10 laps; D.Earnhardt Jr., 5 times for 9 laps; B.Keselowski, 2 times for 7 laps; M.Martin, 2 times for 7 laps; K.Busch, 1 time for 7 laps; D.Reutimann, 2 times for 6 laps; J.Burton, 4 times for 4 laps; K.Busch, 2 times for 4 laps; J.Montoya, 2 times for 3 laps; R.Gordon, 2 times for 3 laps; M.Ambrose, 2 times for 3 laps; R.Newman, 2 times for 3 laps; M.Waltrip, 1 time for 2 laps; C.Edwards, 2 times for 2 laps; J.Andretti, 2 times for 2 laps; K.Kahne, 1 time for 1 lap; J.Logano, 1 time for 1 lap; M.Trux Jr., 1 time for 1 lap; T.Stewart, 1 time for 1 lap.
Top 12 in Points: 1. J.Johnson, 6,248; 2. M.Martin, 6,064; 3. J.Gordon, 6,056; 4. J.Montoya, 6,009; 5. T.Stewart, 5,969; 6. K.Busch, 5,936; 7. G.Biffle, 5,908; 8. R.Newman, 5,846; 9. K.Kahne, 5,834; 10. C.Edwards, 5,811; 11. D.Hamlin, 5,800; 12. B.Vickers, 5,692.
NASCAR Driver Rating Formula
A maximum of 150 points can be attained in a race.
The formula combines the following categories: Wins, Finishes, Top-15 Finishes, Average Running Position While on Lead Lap, Average Speed Under Green, Fastest Lap, Led Most Laps, Lead-Lap Finish.

Charles Schwab Cup

Champions Tour
Sunday
At Sonoma Golf Club
Sonoma, Calif.
Purse: \$2.5 million
Yardage: 7,111; Par: 72
Final
John Cook, \$442,000 68-62-67-69-266 -22
Russ Cochran, \$255,000 69-66-68-68-271 -17
Jeff Sluman, \$195,500 66-69-70-68-273 -15
Brad Bryant, \$195,500 68-67-69-68-273 -15
P.Blackmar, \$141,000 66-67-72-69-274 -14
L.Roberts, \$106,000 70-73-66-66-275 -13
B.Langer, \$106,000 72-65-70-68-275 -13
Tom Watson, \$106,000 69-64-71-71-275 -13
E.Romero, \$83,000 67-71-70-68-276 -12
Jay Haas, \$63,583 71-68-70-68-277 -11
Tom Jenkins, \$63,583 71-66-71-69-277 -11
Mark McNulty, \$63,583 69-71-68-69-277 -11
Gil Morgan, \$63,583 70-68-69-70-277 -11
L.Nielsen, \$63,583 70-67-69-71-277 -11
Larry Mize, \$63,583 71-66-68-72-277 -11
Mark O'Meara, \$48,500 70-70-71-67-278 -10

College football

AP Top 25
The Top 25 teams in The Associated Press college football poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 31, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote, and previous ranking:

Rank	Record	Pts	Pvs
1. Florida (38)	8-0	1,448	1
2. Texas (13)	8-0	1,408	3
3. Alabama (8)	8-0	1,390	2
4. Cincinnati	8-0	1,212	5
5. Boise St.	8-0	1,211	6
6. TCU	8-0	1,147	8
7. Oregon	7-1	1,130	10
8. Iowa	9-0	1,127	7
9. LSU	7-1	1,036	9
10. Georgia Tech	8-1	949	11
11. Penn St.	8-1	886	12
12. Southern Cal	6-2	741	4
13. Houston	7-1	707	15
14. Pittsburgh	7-1	690	16
15. Ohio St.	7-2	636	17
16. Miami	6-2	602	18
17. Utah	7-1	552	19
18. Oklahoma St.	6-2	361	13
19. Notre Dame	6-2	352	25
20. Oklahoma	5-3	348	22
21. Arizona	5-2	322	23
22. Virginia Tech	5-3	185	14
23. California	6-2	181	—
24. Wisconsin	6-2	172	—
25. BYU	6-2	130	—

Others receiving votes: South Florida 115, Clemson 35, Auburn 30, Texas Tech 24, West Virginia 15, Rutgers 11, Boston College 6, Cent. Michigan 4, Oregon St. 4, Tennessee 3, Idaho 2, Richmond 1, South Carolina 1, Temple 1.

USA Today Top 25
The USA Today Top 25 football coaches poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 31, total points based on 25 points for first place through one point for 25th and previous ranking:

Rank	Record	Pts	Rk
1. Florida (50)	8-0	1,463	1
2. Texas (4)	8-0	1,395	2
3. Alabama (5)	8-0	1,390	2
4. TCU	8-0	1,182	6
5. Boise State	8-0	1,176	5
6. Iowa	9-0	1,161	8
7. Cincinnati	8-0	1,150	7
8. Oregon	7-1	1,079	12
9. LSU	7-1	1,062	9
10. Penn State	8-1	966	10
11. Georgia Tech	8-1	934	11
12. Ohio State	7-2	730	15
13. Southern California	6-2	729	4
14. Pittsburgh	7-1	694	17
15. Houston	7-1	672	16
16. Utah	7-1	567	19
17. Miami (Fla.)	6-2	549	18
18. Oklahoma State	6-2	371	13
19. Arizona	5-2	320	24
20. Oklahoma	5-3	313	21
21. Notre Dame	6-2	281	25
22. Wisconsin	6-2	204	NR
23. California	6-2	197	NR
24. Virginia Tech	5-3	193	14
25. Brigham Young	6-2	106	NR

Others receiving votes: South Florida 65; West Virginia 51; Texas Tech 49; Auburn 46; Clemson 18; South Carolina 15; Idaho 8; North Carolina 8; Central Michigan 7; Boston College 5; Navy 5; Rutgers 4; Tennessee 4; Duke 3; Kansas State 1; Temple 1; Troy 1.

Harris Top 25
The Top 25 teams in the Harris Interactive College Football Poll, with first-place votes in parentheses, records through Oct. 31, total points based on 25 points for a first-place vote through one point for a 25th-place vote and previous ranking:

Rank	Record	Pts	Pv
1. Florida (83)	8-0	2,803	1
2. Texas (19)	8-0	2,714	3
3. Alabama (9)	8-0	2,672	2
4. Boise State (1)	8-0	2,313	5
5. Cincinnati	8-0	2,281	6
6. TCU	8-0	2,226	7
7. Iowa (2)	9-0	2,209	8
8. Oregon	7-1	2,148	11
9. LSU	7-1	2,070	9
10. Penn State	8-1	1,809	10
11. Georgia Tech	8-1	1,775	12
12. USC	6-2	1,415	4
13. Ohio State	7-2	1,369	13
14. Houston	7-1	1,303	16
15. Pittsburgh	7-1	1,282	17
16. Utah	7-1	1,121	19
17. Miami (FL)	6-2	1,111	18
18. Oklahoma State	6-2	690	13
19. Oklahoma	5-3	673	22
20. Notre Dame	6-2	657	24
21. Arizona	5-2	598	25
22. California	6-2	385	NR
23. Virginia Tech	5-3	333	14
24. Wisconsin	6-2	295	NR
25. BYU	6-2	250	NR

Other teams receiving votes: South Florida 176; West Virginia 83; Texas Tech 70; Auburn 61; Clemson 25; Central Michigan 24; Idaho 16; Tennessee 16; Temple 15; Rutgers 10; South Carolina 10; Kansas 9; Oregon State 7; Troy 7; Nebraska 6; Boston College 3; Mississippi 3; Stanford 3; North Carolina 2; Arkansas 1; Duke 1. Dropped out of Top 25: West Virginia; South Carolina; Mississippi.

Sunday's score
SOUTH
UCF 21, Marshall 20



JEFFREY PHELPS/AP

Vikings quarterback Brett Favre celebrates a Minnesota touchdown Sunday against the Packers during his first visit to Green Bay as an opponent. Favre threw four touchdown passes in the Vikings' victory.

Villainous Favre tops Pack

BY COLIN FLY
The Associated Press

GREEN BAY, Wis. — Brett Favre's nerves were diminished playing against his former team this time. His resolve to beat the Packers again wasn't.

"We played about as good as we could have played," said Favre, who threw four TD passes to lead the Minnesota Vikings to a 38-26 victory over the Green Bay Packers on Sunday.

Favre turned in another memorable performance at Lambeau Field — his first as a visitor — against the franchise he helped resurrect and restore to its Title-town moniker in the 1990s. He's now thrown seven TDs and no interceptions in two victories against the Packers this season.

Favre's consistency has propelled the Vikings to 7-1, and at the season's halfway point, Minnesota has a 2½-game advantage in the NFC North.

"We have had some tough tests, and we have responded very well," said Favre, who finished 17-for-28 for 244 yards. "We are 7-1, and granted, that is very good, but we haven't done anything yet."

Favre's TD binge tied Dan Marino for one of the few records the former Dolphins quarterback still holds with 21 career games of at least four TD tosses.

Two years ago, Favre led Green Bay to 7-1, too. But he failed to add to his only Super Bowl title in

1997 and the Packers lost in overtime in the NFC championship to the New York Giants in what appeared to be his final game at Lambeau in January 2008.

He turned 40 last month but has flourished in his return to an offensive system he thrived in for 16 years with Green Bay.

"There is no such thing as too many good players or too many tools in the tool box," said Vikings coach Brad Childress, who was criticized for his decision to bring Favre in. "I don't know about vindication ... I didn't bring him in to compete. That's what he was going to do at Green Bay. He was going to come in and start, and rightfully so. He's done a great job."

Favre's numbers don't lie. He now has 16 TD passes against just three interceptions, completing 67.9 percent of his throws. He's on pace to have the fewest interceptions in his career. The career leader never threw fewer than 13 in his 16 years with the Packers.

The Vikings' biggest offseason acquisition also got plenty of help from his crew — first-round pick Percy Harvin had 84 yards receiving and a touchdown on five catches and added 175 return yards.

"The big thing is just hitting the hole and not do a whole lot of dancing," said Harvin, who had a 51-yard TD reception and a 77-yard kick return to keep giving Minnesota a short field to work with. "I just tell them — give me

a hole and I'm going to hit it 100 miles per hour."

Adrian Peterson added several big hits, too, bowling over Packers defenders and contributing 97 yards rushing and a touchdown. But the focus — and circus — was centered squarely on No. 4.

A camera followed him the entire game that fans could watch on a Webcast. A huge crowd of journalists crowded him on the field just after time expired and fans showed their support, or disgust, with his decision to don Vikings purple.

"Hey Favre Halloween is over! Take off that silly purple costume," read one sign held by a man in an Aaron Rodgers' jersey.

But Rodgers, Favre's replacement, could do little to stop the tide despite rallying the Packers with 17 straight points to close the deficit to 24-20 in the second half and later 31-26. Rodgers threw for 287 yards and three TD passes himself, but Green Bay again failed to protect its quarterback.

Rodgers was sacked six times in the rematch after taking eight sacks in Minnesota's 30-23 victory Oct. 5. Jared Allen tormented Rodgers again with three more sacks.

"It's tough to take that many shots," Rodgers said.

Favre silenced a record regular-season crowd of 71,213 that primarily booed him throughout, distributed 17 receptions to seven receivers and was not sacked.

Panthers use ground game to get some revenge

BY BOB BAUM
The Associated Press

GLENDAL, Ariz. — Carolina earned its revenge. To the Panthers, the boos aimed at the home team by Arizona fans must have sounded oh so sweet.

Carolina literally ran the Cardinals out of their own stadium in a 34-21 victory on Sunday, amassing 270 yards on the ground against a defense that had been ranked No. 1 in the NFL. It was the second-most yards in Panthers history, trailing only 299 against Tampa Bay last season.

"We knew what they were going to do," Cardinals nose tackle Bryan Robinson said, "and we couldn't stop them."

The Cardinals came in on a three-game winning streak, the most recent win a Sunday night road victory over the New York Giants. A sputtering start to the season seemed ancient history.

But they fell flat against a Carolina team eager to make up for last season's 33-13 home playoff loss to Arizona.

"I can't sit here and deny that last year's game didn't have a little bit of a role motivating the guys," said Carolina's Julius Peppers, who returned an interception 13 yards for a touchdown and forced a fumble.

Panthers running back DeAngelo Williams was among those inspired, gaining 158 yards on 23 carries, including a 77-yarder.

"There was a special interest on this game," he said.

No Carolina player needed a victory more than Jake Delhomme.

The struggling Carolina quarterback, whose downward spiral began in that play-off game, threw a 50-yard touchdown pass to Steve Smith before leaving with a chest injury. Delhomme was checked out at a



ROSS D. FRANKLIN/AP

The Panthers' Jonathan Stewart, right, beats the Cardinals' Antrel Rolle to the edge for a touchdown as teammate Jake Delhomme celebrates. Carolina ran for 270 yards.

hospital before returning to the stadium after the game.

Arizona's Kurt Warner threw five interceptions and fumbled the ball away once.

Coincidentally, Delhomme had five passes intercepted and fumbled once in that playoff loss to the Cardinals. He had a league-worst 13 interceptions this season entering Sunday.

"It is nice we came in and won but we needed it more for the '09 Panthers than to bury it for the '08 Panthers," Delhomme said.

He played a series after he was hurt, then was taken to a hospital for tests. He said that nothing serious was discovered, describing the injury as a "chest contusion."

After throwing three interceptions in last Sunday's home loss to Buffalo, Delhomme had to wait until Wednesday to find out if he still was the starter.

"To say it was the lowest point I ever had as a Panther, probably," he said. "So after a ton of self-searching and soul searching, I was looking forward to going back out there and play, just play."

Delhomme was 7-for-14 for 90 yards, including the first scoring pass to a wide receiver for the Panthers this season.

The statistics weren't impressive, but he made no big mistakes and the Panthers' punishing ground game did the rest.

"They were a desperate team and they came out and outplayed us," Arizona's

Darnell Dockett said. "I have nothing bad to say about them. ... Those running backs did their thing today. They are big-play running backs. Any time they get the ball, they can score."

Jonathan Stewart gained 87 yards on 17 carries for Carolina (3-4), including touchdown runs of 6 and 10 yards.

Warner completed 27 of 46 for 242 yards and two touchdowns. Two of his interceptions were tipped.

"It just seemed like every time the ball was bouncing somewhere, it went into their hands," he said.

Delhomme was hurt on a hard hit by Dockett and Chike Okeafor with 5:59 left in the third quarter. He got to his knees, then slowly walked off the field, but was back for the next series before leaving for good.

On the bench, he said he began to feel "a little chilly" and "kind of a little weak." That led to the trip to the hospital.

The Cardinals (4-3) remained in first in the NFC West because San Francisco lost at Indianapolis, but Arizona, at 1-3, has lost more home games than it did all of last season.

"It's very disappointing that we aren't playing better at home right now," coach Ken Whisenhunt said. "We have the same record that we were at this time last year. I still feel like we're a better football team. We just didn't play that way today."

Trailing 28-7 at the half, the Cardinals cut it to 28-14 and 31-21 but could get no closer as John Kasay kicked field goals of 35 and 31 yards in the fourth quarter.

"To come on the road, playing a good football team, one that handled us pretty good in the playoffs a year ago," Carolina coach John Fox said, "it was a big win for a lot of reasons."

NFL scoreboard

American Conference

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
New England	5	2	0	.714	198	98
N.Y. Jets	4	4	0	.500	177	134
Miami	3	4	0	.429	176	177
Buffalo	3	5	0	.375	123	169
Indianapolis	7	0	0	1.000	197	91
Houston	5	3	0	.625	198	168
Jacksonville	3	4	0	.429	133	177
Tennessee	1	6	0	.143	114	211
Cincinnati	5	2	0	.714	163	128
Pittsburgh	5	2	0	.714	167	129
Baltimore	4	3	0	.571	199	137
Cleveland	1	7	0	.125	78	209
Denver	6	1	0	.857	140	96
San Diego	4	3	0	.571	185	159
Oakland	3	4	0	.429	128	166
Kansas City	1	6	0	.143	105	181

National Conference

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Philadelphia	5	2	0	.714	203	133
Dallas	5	2	0	.714	197	136
N.Y. Giants	5	3	0	.625	212	183
Washington	2	5	0	.286	96	123
New Orleans	6	0	0	1.000	238	127
Atlanta	4	2	0	.667	144	114
Carolina	3	4	0	.429	128	166
Tampa Bay	0	7	0	.000	96	203
Minnesota	7	1	0	.875	244	174
Green Bay	4	3	0	.571	187	134
Chicago	4	3	0	.571	159	150
Detroit	1	6	0	.143	113	205
Arizona	4	3	0	.571	157	143
San Francisco	3	4	0	.429	147	140
Seattle	2	5	0	.286	135	147
St. Louis	1	7	0	.125	77	221

Sunday's games

St. Louis 17, Detroit 10
Miami 30, N.Y. Jets 25
Dallas 38, Seattle 17
Chicago 30, Cleveland 6
Baltimore 30, Denver 7
Houston 31, Buffalo 10
Indianapolis 18, San Francisco 14
Philadelphia 40, N.Y. Giants 17
San Diego 24, Oakland 16
Tennessee 30, Jacksonville 13
Minnesota 38, Green Bay 26
Carolina 34, Arizona 21
Open: New England, Cincinnati, Pittsburgh, Kansas City, Washington, Tampa Bay

Monday's game

Atlanta at New Orleans
Sunday, Nov. 8
Arizona at Chicago
Washington at Atlanta
Miami at New England
Houston at Indianapolis
Baltimore at Cincinnati
Green Bay at Tampa Bay
Kansas City at Jacksonville
Detroit at Seattle
Carolina at New Orleans
San Diego at N.Y. Giants
Tennessee at San Francisco
Dallas at Philadelphia
Open: Buffalo, N.Y. Jets, Oakland, Minnesota, St. Louis, Cleveland
Pittsburgh at Denver

Monday, Nov. 9

Chicago at San Francisco
Sunday, Nov. 15
Jacksonville at N.Y. Jets
Tampa Bay at Miami
Detroit at Minnesota
Denver at Washington
New Orleans at St. Louis
Cincinnati at Pittsburgh
Buffalo at Tennessee
Atlanta at Carolina
Kansas City at Oakland
Seattle at Arizona
Dallas at Green Bay
Philadelphia at San Diego
New England at Indianapolis
Open: Houston, N.Y. Giants
Monday, Nov. 16
Baltimore at Cleveland

Sunday

Rams 17, Lions 10

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
St. Louis	3	7	0	.7-17		
Detroit	0	2	0	8-10		
First Quarter						
STL—FG Jo.Brown 41, 3:57.						
Second Quarter						
DET—K.Smith safety, 12:07.						
STL—Fells 36 pass from J.Brown (Jo. Brown kick), 5:54.						
Fourth Quarter						
DET—Stafford 4 run (Morris pass from Stafford), 13:51.						
STL—Jackson 25 run (J.Brown kick), 1:38.						
A—40,857.						

	STL	DET
First downs	21	17
Total Net Yards	362	289
Rushes-yards	26-150	33-127
Passing	212	162
Punt Returns	4-6	2-15
Kickoff Returns	2-40	4-77
Interceptions Ret.	1-0	1-0
Comp-Att-Int	18-36-1	14-33-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	0-0	2-6
Fumbles-Lost	5-44-6	7-46-3
Penalties-Yards	0-0	0-0
Time of Possession	5-27	8-67
Individual Statistics	27:57	32:03

Rushing—St. Louis. Jackson 22-149, Bulger 3-1, Amendola 1-0. **Detroit.** Morris 14-63, K.Smith 16-45, Brown 2-15, Stafford 1-4.
Passing—St. Louis. Bulger 17-35-1-176, Jo.Brown 1-1-0-36. **Detroit.** Stafford 14-33-1-168.
Receiving—St. Louis. Burton 5-54, Karney 3-18, Jackson 3-17, Bavery 2-43, McMichael 2-16, Fells 1-36, Ajayi 1-15, Amendola 1-13. **Detroit.** K.Smith 4-49, B.Johnson 2-43, FitzSimmons 2-17, Pettigrew 2-17, Brown 2-13, Morris 1-19, Heller 1-10.
Missed field goals—None.

Dolphins 30, Jets 25

	W	L	T	Pct	PF	PA
Miami	0	3	21	6-30		
N.Y. Jets	0	3	16	6-25		
Second Quarter						
NYJ—FG Feely 23, 12:20.						
Mia—FG Carpenter 48, 1:55.						
Third Quarter						
NYJ—FG Feely 55, 10:24.						
Mia—Ginn Jr. 100 kickoff return (Carpenter kick), 10:10.						
Mia—Taylor 48 fumble return (Carpenter kick), 7:32.						
NYJ—Sanchez 1 run (Feely kick), 3:26.						
Mia—Ginn Jr. 101 kickoff return (Carpenter kick), 3:09.						
NYJ—Edwards 19 pass from Sanchez (pass failed), 1:35.						
Fourth Quarter						
Mia—Haynos 5 pass from Henne (pass failed), 8:48.						
NYJ—Keller 16 pass from Sanchez (pass failed), 5:52.						
A—77,531.						

	Mia	NYJ
First downs	10	23
Total Net Yards	104	378
Rushes-yards	23-52	40-127
Passing	52	251
Punt Returns	4-19	5-45
Kickoff Returns	6-299	5-115
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	12-22-0	20-35-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	6-60	2-14
Punts	7-51-7	7-36-3
Fumbles-Lost	4-2	2-1
Penalties-Yards	1-25	6-40
Time of Possession	25:54	34:06

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Miami. Brown 11-27, Williams 2-27, Polite 1-3, Henne 3-(minus 5). **N.Y. Jets.** Jones 27-102, Greene 8-18, Sanchez 4-6, Cutchery 1-1.
Passing—Miami. Henne 12-21-0-112, Brown 0-1-0-0. **N.Y. Jets.** Sanchez 20-35-0-265.
Receiving—Miami. Bess 4-18, Williams 2-45, Haynos 2-20, Fasano 3-16, Camarillo 1-14, Brown 1-2. **N.Y. Jets.** Keller 8-76, Edwards 4-74, Cutchery 3-70, Clowney 3-16, Jones 1-28, Richardson 1-1.
Missed field goals—None.

Texans 31, Bills 10

	Hou	Buf
Houston	0	6
Buffalo	7	3
First Quarter		
Buf—Owens 29 run (Lindell kick), 2:31.		
Second Quarter		
Hou—FG K.Brown 42, 1:49.		
Buf—FG K.Brown 22, 2:18.		
Buf—FG Lindell 21, 1:18.		
Third Quarter		
Hou—FG K.Brown 26, 7:05.		
Fourth Quarter		
Hou—Moats 11 run (A.Johnson pass from Schaub), 14:17.		
Hou—Moats 1 run (K.Brown kick), 9:50.		
Hou—Moats 3 run (K.Brown kick), 3:34.		
A—69,790.		

	Hou	Buf
First downs	43	9
Total Net Yards	249	204
Rushes-yards	40-186	20-97
Passing	253	107
Punt Returns	4-73	0-0
Kickoff Returns	3-59	6-189
Interceptions Ret.	2-19	2-9
Comp-Att-Int	25-34-2	15-23-2
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-15	2-10
Punts	1-39-0	6-48-0
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	5-45	4-36
Time of Possession	39:08	20:52

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Houston. Moats 23-126, C.Brown 7-22, Jones 1-17, Walter 1-13, Schaub 7-7, Slaton 1-1. **Buffalo.** Lynch 9-43, Owens 1-29, Jackson 9-28, Jenkins 1-(minus 3).
Passing—Houston. Schaub 25-34-2-268, Fitzpatrick 15-23-2-117.
Receiving—Houston. Johnson 6-63, Galloway 4-29, Anderson 3-51, Moats 2-25, Casey 2-14, Leach 2-11, Slaton 2-10, C.Brown 2-7, Jones 1-36, Daniels 1-22. **Buffalo.** Owens 5-39, Reed 3-29, Lynch 3-6, Evans 2-29, Fine 1-9, St.Johnson 1-5.
Missed field goals—None.

Ravens 30, Broncos 7

	Den	Bal
Denver	0	0
Baltimore	3	3
First Quarter		
Bal—FG Hauschka 43, 1:17.		
Second Quarter		
Bal—FG Hauschka 35, 4:58.		
Third Quarter		
Bal—Webb 95 kickoff return (Hauschka kick), 14:46.		
Den—Moreno 1 run (Prater kick), 9:46.		
Bal—FG Hauschka 4, 5:55.		
Fourth Quarter		
Bal—Mason 20 pass from Flacco (Hauschka kick), 13:07.		
Bal—Rice 7 run (Hauschka kick), 1:59.		
A—71,132.		

	Den	Bal
First downs	20	292
Total Net Yards	200	352
Rushes-yards	19-66	35-125
Passing	134	167
Punt Returns	2-5	3-17
Kickoff Returns	6-112	2-112
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	23-37-0	20-25-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	2-18	2-8
Punts	8-38-4	4-44-3
Fumbles-Lost	1-1	0-0
Penalties-Yards	6-35	8-94
Time of Possession	26:23	33:37

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Denver. Moreno 10-39, Buckhalter 8-16, Orton 1-11. **Baltimore.** Rice 23-84, L.McClain 3-31, Flacco 5-5, Clayton 1-4, Heap 1-2, McGahee 2-(minus 1).
Passing—Denver. Orton 23-37-0-152. **Baltimore.** Flacco 20-25-0-175.
Receiving—Denver. Buckhalter 6-30, Marshall 4-24, Gaffney 3-43, Graham 3-30, Hillis 2-10, Royal 2-10, Moreno 2-(minus 4), Scheffler 1-9. **Baltimore.** Rice 5-24, K.Washington 4-58, Mason 4-40, Clayton 3-33, Heap 3-16, McGahee 1-4.
Missed field goals—None.

Cowboys 38, Seahawks 17

	Sea	Dal
Seattle	3	7
Dallas	7	14
First Quarter		
Sea—FG Mare 43, 6:58.		
Dal—Hurd 36 pass from Romo (Folk kick), 3:12.		
Second Quarter		
Dal—Barber 2 run (Folk kick), 13:26.		
Sea—Branch 23 pass from Hasselbeck (Mare kick), 10:25.		
Dal—R.Williams 7 pass from Romo (Folk kick), 1:35.		
Third Quarter		
Dal—Austin 3 pass from Romo (Folk kick), 2:39.		
Dal—Crayton 82 punt return (Folk kick), 1:11.		
Fourth Quarter		
Dal—FG Folk 40, 10:58.		
Sea—Griffith 4 pass from Hasselbeck (Mare kick), 8:40.		
A—80,886.		

	Sea	Dal
First downs	18	26
Total Net Yards	308	292
Rushes-yards	22-79	29-113
Passing	229	249
Punt Returns	3-10	4-116
Kickoff Returns	3-68	3-45
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	0-0
Comp-Att-Int	22-39-0	21-36-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	3-20	2-7
Punts	6-40-3	4-47-3
Fumbles-Lost	2-2	3-1
Penalties-Yards	6-53	5-43
Time of Possession	25:15	34:45

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Seattle. Jones 15-56, James 6-17, Forsett 1-6. **Dallas.** Barber 14-53, Hixon 8-39, Choice 4-11, Austin 1-11, Romo 1-10, Crayton 1-(minus 11).
Passing—Seattle. Hasselbeck 22-39-0-249. **Dallas.** Romo 21-36-0-256.
Receiving—Seattle. Burleson 6-89, Houshmandzadeh 4-24, Branch 3-36, Carlson 3-36, J.Jones 2-32, Griffith 2-12, Forsett 1-14, James 1-6. **Dallas.** Austin 5-61, Witten 4-36, Crayton 3-39, R.Williams 2-19, Bennett 2-18, Hurd 1-36, Jones 1-30, Ogletree 1-19, Phillips 1-0, Barber 1-(minus 2).
Missed field goals—Dallas. Folk 48 (WR).

Bears 30, Browns 6

	Cle	Chi
Cleveland	0	0
Chicago	6	10
First Quarter		
Chi—FG Gould 37, 2:20.		
Chi—FG Gould 29, 1:13.		
Second Quarter		
Chi—FG Gould 32, 8:43.		
Chi—Forte 1 run (Gould kick), 1:56.		
Third Quarter		
Cle—Anderson 1 run (kick blocked), 10:33.		
Chi—Forte 10 run (Gould kick), 1:42.		
Fourth Quarter		
Chi—Tillman 21 interception return (Gould kick), 3:14.		
A—62,262.		

	Cle	Chi
First downs	9	20
Total Net Yards	191	369
Rushes-yards	29-117	37-170
Passing	14	199
Punt Returns	0-0	4-47
Kickoff Returns	6-137	2-29
Interceptions Ret.	1-1	2-56
Comp-Att-Int	7-20-2	17-30-1
Sacked-Yards Lost	1-11	4-26
Punts	6-45-3	5-30-4
Fumbles-Lost	4-3	0-0
Penalties-Yards	3-30	5-35
Time of Possession	22:35	37:25

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—Cleveland. Lewis 16-69, Cribbs 6-28, Harrison 5-19, Anderson 2-1. **Chicago.** Forte 26-90, Wolfe 5-53, Cutler 5-32, Hester 1-(minus 5).
Passing—Cleveland. Anderson 6-17-2-76, Quinn 1-3-0-9. **Chicago.** Cutler 17-30-1-225.
Receiving—Cleveland. Massaquoi 2-28, Cribbs 1-23, Stuckey 1-11, Heiden 1-10, Furrey 1-9, Vickers 1-4. **Chicago.** Hester 7-81, Knox 3-44, Olsen 3-40, Forte 2-31, Bennett 2-29.
Missed field goals—None.

Colts 18, 49ers 14

	San	Ind
San Francisco	7	7
Indianapolis	3	6
First Quarter		
SF—Gore 64 run (Nedney kick), 11:16.		
Ind—FG Stover 38, 3:16.		
Second Quarter		
Ind—FG Stover 33, 14:50.		
SF—V.Davis 8 pass from A.Smith (Nedney kick), 1:33.		
Ind—FG Stover 31, 0:1.		
Third Quarter		
Ind—FG Stover 40, 9:34.		
Fourth Quarter		
Ind—Wayne 22 pass from Addai (pass failed), 14:53.		
A—66,229.		

	SF	Ind
First downs	17	16
Total Net Yards	295	410
Rushes-yards	18-113	21-61
Passing	182	349
Punt Returns	6-37	6-32
Kickoff Returns	6-102	3-64
Interceptions Ret.	0-0	1-29
Comp-Att-Int	19-32-1	32-49-0
Sacked-Yards Lost	4-16	3-20
Punts	8-50-0	7-46-3
Fumbles-Lost	2-1	2-0
Penalties-Yards	7-50	5-38
Time of Possession	26:26	33:34

INDIVIDUAL STATISTICS
Rushing—San Francisco. Gore 13-91, A.Smith 1-10, Coffee 1-8, Norris 3-

Chargers handle Raiders yet again

By **BERNIE WILSON**
The Associated Press

SAN DIEGO — There was LaDainian Tomlinson, doing what he always does against the Oakland Raiders.

There was Shawne Merriman, breaking out his "Lights Out" sack dance for the first time since 2007.

And, of course, there were the San Diego Chargers, beating Oakland 24-16 on Sunday, their 13th straight victory over the hapless Raiders. It's the longest active winning streak in a series in the NFL.

Tomlinson led the way with two touchdowns, the first out of the wildcat formation.

The Chargers (4-3) swept the series for the sixth consecutive season. Many Chargers, including quarterback Philip Rivers, have never lost to the Raiders (2-6). It was San Diego's seventh straight home victory over Oakland.

"When I first got here, the intensity and atmosphere of the game, it rubbed me the wrong way," said Tomlinson, who was drafted by the Chargers in 2001. "By beating them 13 times, it means 13 times their fans went home with their heads hanging."

Oakland coach Tom Cable called it "a big hump to get over. We've had two good opportunities this year. Are we closer? Yes. But you don't take anything from it until you get over the hump."

With the Denver Broncos losing 30-7 at Baltimore, the Chargers pulled within two games of the AFC West lead. San Diego is trying to win its fourth straight division title.

Merriman got his first two sacks since 2007, dropping JaMarcus Russell late in the second quarter and again late in the fourth. The outside linebacker has been working his way back from knee surgery that cost him the final 15 regular-season games and both playoff games last year.

"It's one of those things that was long coming," Merriman said. "I don't put as big an emphasis on sacks as everybody else does. But they are important. I realize I've got to go out and make plays and get those sacks in order for us to be a better defense. As long as I'm doing that and putting



DENIS POROV/AP

San Diego's Vincent Jackson catches a pass as Oakland's Chris Johnson defends during Sunday's game.

pressure on the quarterback and forcing him to do things that he doesn't want to do, we're going to be better."

San Diego allowed a season-low 180 yards and had a season-high five sacks. The other outside linebacker, Shaun Phillips, also had two.

The Chargers didn't have to rally to win as they did in the season opener at Oakland, when they were physically beaten up by the Raiders despite taking a 24-20 victory.

Cornerback Antonio Cromartie intercepted Russell's pass when tight end Zach Miller fell down. It was the first pickoff in 20 games for Cromartie, who had 10 in 2007 but dropped off to two last season.

The Chargers' first play from scrimmage was a 53-yard pass from Rivers to Malcom Floyd, who replaced struggling Chris Chambers in the starting lineup. It gave San Diego a first down at the 6. Tomlinson took the direct snap and ran around right end for a 7-0 lead.

Oakland tied it early in the second quarter after Rivers' pass to Vincent Jackson glanced off the receiver's hands and was intercepted by Chris Johnson, who returned it 20 yards to the San Diego 27. Justin Fargas scored on a 3-yard run.

San Diego scored on its next two possessions to go up 21-7. Rivers hit Jackson with an 8-yard TD pass and Tomlinson scored on a 10-yard run.

Rivers was 16 of 25 for 249 yards. Tomlinson had 56 yards on 18 carries. Fargas carried 18 times for 59 yards.

Tomlinson has accounted for 28 TDs against Oakland in his nine-year career: 22 rushing, three receiving and three passing.

The Raiders got field goals of 48, 41 and 28 yards from Sebastian Janikowski.

Ah! Can't beat winning

Young leads Titans past Jags to snap 8-game skid

By **TERESA M. WALKER**
The Associated Press

NASHVILLE, Tenn. — Vince Young felt good but nervous before his first start this season for the Tennessee Titans. He wound up celebrating with his offensive coordinator and getting high grades from the team owner who wanted him back on the job.

And yes, he threw for a touchdown in helping the Titans win their first game this season, routing Jacksonville 30-13 Sunday to snap an eight-game skid dating to last year.

"The year off has helped me a whole lot," Young said. "I put myself in different scenarios at night time. If I go out and make a bad play and they start to boo me and anything that is going to happen, put it in the past and don't worry about that. ... Continue to make plays and show your humbleness and maturity."

He was greeted by cheers, but Young wasn't the highlight of a game the NFL said was the first in league history with four rushing TDs of 50-plus yards.

The Titans (1-6) helped put Young in the best position by focusing on running the ball. Chris Johnson set a franchise record with 228 yards on 24 carries, including TD runs of 52 and 89 yards after Jacksonville had tied it 13-13 in the opening minute of the third quarter.

Jacksonville's Maurice Jones-Drew added TD runs of 80 and 79 yards on the way to gaining 177



JOHN RUSSELL/AP

Tennessee's Nate Washington hauls in a 6-yard TD pass in the second quarter Sunday against the Jacksonville Jaguars.

yards in eight carries.

Coordinator Mike Heimerdinger got Young into a rhythm early with lots of short throws and runs to tap into his mobility. Young also made some nice throws, including a 6-yard TD toss to Nate Washington and a 7-yarder on third down to Kenny Britt to keep alive the drive to the go-ahead touchdown.

Young was 15 of 18 for 125 yards and had 10 runs for 32 yards before two kneel-downs at the end for the Titans' first victory since Dec. 21. He finished with a 114.1 passer rating that was his sec-

ond-highest in a start and highest since 2006 when he was Offensive Rookie of the Year.

It was exactly what owner Bud Adams wanted to see to revive a team coming off a 59-0 shut-out at New England, especially for a franchise that must decide whether to keep Young after this season. Young is due a \$4.25 million roster bonus in March with a deal counting \$14.2 million against the salary cap in 2010.

"I think there's some things that happened to him early in his career that didn't let him concentrate on football. I think he realized he needed to work at it hard. And he has shown that," Adams said.

The Tennessee defense helped as well, sacking David Garrard four times and intercepting two of his passes. The Titans hadn't had two interceptions in a game since the season-opening loss at Pittsburgh.

With Johnson running away, Tennessee held the ball for nearly 40 minutes and outgained Jacksonville 430 yards to 330. Not bad for a team that came in last in the NFL in time of possession. Tennessee's 305 yards rushing easily was a season-high.

Jacksonville (3-4) missed a chance to go 3-1 in the AFC South.

"I'm very disappointed to come in here in a game that we had to have, a divisional game, and allow a team to basically cram it down our throats, which they did," Jaguars coach Jack Del Rio said.

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SUE OGROCKI/AP

Quarterback Colt McCoy led Texas to a 41-14 thrashing of Oklahoma State on Saturday, a surprisingly one-sided victory over a nationally ranked opponent that boosted Texas to No. 2 in the BCS.

Texas up to 2nd in BCS

By RALPH D. RUSSO
The Associated Press

NEW YORK — Texas took a small step forward in the Bowl Championship Series standings Sunday, and the remaining unbeaten teams held down the first seven spots.

The Longhorns, who beat Oklahoma State 41-14 on Saturday, (.9227) jumped from third to second place, ahead of Alabama (.9166) and behind Florida (.9918). It's a cosmetic move. Texas was already in control of its destiny in the BCS championship race.

The Crimson Tide and Gators, if they both remain undefeated, will have to play each other in the Southeastern Conference title game.

Behind the top three were Iowa (.8407), Cincinnati (.8033), TCU (.8008) and Boise State (.7863), all unbeaten and hoping for the Gators, Crimson Tide or Longhorns to slip up.

Alabama faces a stiff test Saturday when LSU travels to Tuscaloosa.

The Horned Frogs hold a slim lead over the Broncos in the race to be this season's BCS buster. Both teams had lopsided victories on Saturday.

Oregon moved up two spots from 10th to eighth place after a 47-20 victory against Southern California. USC dropped seven spots to 12th place.

Notre Dame, which needs nine victories and a top-14 finish in the BCS standings to be eligible for

College Bowl Series standings

Games through Oct. 31

RANK	TEAM	BCS AVE.	HARRIS INTERACTIVE	USA TODAY	COMPUTER RANKING
1.	Florida (8-0)	0.9918	1	1	1
2.	Texas (8-0)	0.9227	2	2	3
3.	Alabama (8-0)	0.9166	3	3	3
4.	Iowa (9-0)	0.8407	7	6	2
5.	Cincinnati (8-0)	0.8033	5	7	5
6.	TCU (8-0)	0.8008	6	4	6
7.	Boise State (8-0)	0.7863	4	5	8
8.	Oregon (7-1)	0.7651	8	8	7
9.	LSU (7-1)	0.7121	9	9	9
10.	Georgia Tech (8-1)	0.6287	11	11	10
11.	Penn State (8-1)	0.6166	10	10	12
12.	USC (6-2)	0.5336	12	13	11
13.	Pittsburgh (7-1)	0.4401	15	14	14
14.	Utah (7-1)	0.4226	16	16	13
15.	Houston (7-1)	0.4209	14	15	16
16.	Ohio State (7-2)	0.3784	13	12	21
17.	Miami, Fla. (6-2)	0.3707	17	17	16
18.	Arizona (5-2)	0.2589	21	19	16
19.	Oklahoma St. (6-2)	0.2179	18	18	21
20.	California (6-2)	0.2095	22	23	15
21.	Wisconsin (6-2)	0.1939	24	22	19
22.	Notre Dame (6-2)	0.1903	20	21	23
23.	Virginia Tech (5-3)	0.1559	23	24	20
24.	Oklahoma (5-3)	0.1494	19	20	28
25.	South Florida (6-2)	0.0786	26	26	24

NOTE: The BCS Average is calculated by averaging the percent totals of the Harris Interactive, USA Today Coaches and Computer polls.

SOURCE: Bowl Championship Series

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an at-large bid, is 22nd.

Florida holds the top spot and is ranked first in both polls used by the BCS — the Harris and coaches' polls. The Gators are also tops among the compilation of six computer ratings used by the BCS.

Texas is No. 2 in both polls and tied with Alabama for third in the computer ratings. The Crimson Tide is third in both polls.

Iowa is ranked second by the computers, but is only seventh in the Harris poll and sixth in the coaches' poll.

Sports briefs

Bankruptcy judge approves sale of Coyotes to NHL

The Associated Press

PHOENIX — A federal bankruptcy judge gave his approval to the sale of the Phoenix Coyotes to the NHL on Monday.

Judge Redfield T. Baum agreed to sign the sale order after attorneys made minor modifications to the deal.

None of the changes significantly altered the NHL's agreement to pay about \$140 million to buy the team from owner Jerry Moyes.

The only party which didn't join in the agreement was former coach Wayne Gretzky, who owned a small portion of the team. However, Gretzky did not file a formal objection with the court.

The sale ends nearly six months of an often-bitter court battle pitting the NHL against Moyes and Canadian billionaire Jim Balsillie.

Moyes, founder of Swift Transportation, took the team into Chapter 11 bankruptcy on May 5, with a plan to sell the team to Balsillie, contingent on moving the franchise to Hamilton, Ontario. The move took the NHL by surprise and the league vowed to fight it to the end, accusing the owner and the Canadian of trying to circumvent the NHL's rules for who owns a team and where it plays.

In other NHL news:

■ Alex Ovechkin's upper-body injury doesn't seem serious, although he appears likely to miss at least one game.

Washington Capitals coach Bruce Boudreau indicated Monday that Ovechkin could miss Wednesday's game at New Jersey but could return for the home-and-home against Florida on Friday and Saturday.

Florida's Spikes suspended for first half of next game

GAINESVILLE, Fla. — Florida coach Urban Meyer suspended Brandon Spikes for the first half of Saturday's game against Vanderbilt after the star linebacker attempted to gouge the eyes of Georgia's Washaun Ealey.

Meyer said Spikes was retaliating after getting his eye poked earlier in Saturday's game.

Spikes is fourth on the team with 42 tackles and has three sacks.

In other college football news:

■ Syracuse wide receiver Mike Williams has quit the team.

Williams, one of the top receivers in the country, told coach Doug Marrone on Monday morning of his decision.

Williams ranks sixth nationally with 106.57 receiving yards per game.

■ Tony Pike is expected to

practice this week with fourth-ranked Cincinnati. Coach Brian Kelly wants to see what the injured quarterback can do before deciding his status.

Pike missed the past two games after having a damaged plate in his non-passing arm replaced. Sophomore Zach Collaros has led the Bearcats (7-0) to victories over Louisville and Syracuse, throwing seven touchdown passes.

■ Iowa State quarterback Austen Arnaud said Monday he'll be back in the lineup Saturday when the Cyclones face 18th-ranked Oklahoma State.

Arnaud has missed the past two games with a bruised throwing hand. But Arnaud said he's able to grip the ball better now and get the velocity he needs on his passes.

NFL commissioner to seek change in labor law

WASHINGTON — NFL commissioner Roger Goodell plans to ask Congress for legislation that would protect collective bargaining agreements from state law challenges, like the one that led to blocking of the suspensions of two players who used banned substances.

Goodell will ask for an amendment to the Labor Management Relations Act during a congressional hearing on Tuesday. His

testimony was obtained by The Associated Press.

The NFL had attempted to suspend two Minnesota Vikings players, Kevin Williams and Pat Williams, for violating its anti-doping rules. But last month a federal appeals court essentially allowed them to continue playing while the players' lawsuit is in Minnesota court.

Goodell said that "called into question" the viability of the NFL's and other sports league's steroid rules.

In other NFL news:

■ Green Bay Packers quarterback Aaron Rodgers came out of Sunday's loss to the Minnesota Vikings with a sprain on one foot and sprained toe on the other.

Packers coach Mike McCarthy said Monday that Rodgers could miss time in practice this week but is expected to play Sunday at Tampa Bay without hurting his mobility.

Bobcats' Bell to play after postponing surgery

CHARLOTTE, N.C. — Charlotte Bobcats guard Raja Bell planned to start against New Jersey on Monday as he tries to play with a partially torn ligament in his left wrist.

Coach Larry Brown said Bell would make his season debut

against the Nets even though he hasn't gone through a full contact practice. Bell last week decided to put off surgery that would sideline him up to four months and see if he could get through the season.

In other NBA news:

■ Bucks guard Michael Redd is out for at least two weeks after straining a tendon in his left knee during Milwaukee's home opener.

Redd tore two ligaments in the same knee on Jan. 24 and missed the rest of last season, but said he felt healthy and stronger than ever coming into training camp.

■ Dallas Mavericks assistant coach and former player Popeye Jones is free on bond after his arrest for allegedly driving drunk.

Police in the northern Dallas suburb of Richardson said motorists reported a sport-utility vehicle being driven erratically about 9:30 p.m. Sunday. When officers found it, the SUV had stopped with Jones at the wheel.

Spokesman Jonathan Wakefield said Jones declined a breath test, but officers observed that he appeared to be intoxicated.

■ Rajon Rondo said Monday he agreed to a five-year contract extension with the Boston Celtics.

The deal has yet to be signed but the Celtics point guard said that was just a "formality."

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WORLD SERIES GAME 4: YANKEES 7, PHILLIES 4

A real steal



The New York Yankees' Johnny Damon rounds second and heads to third as the Philadelphia Phillies' Pedro Feliz chases during the ninth inning Sunday in Philadelphia. Damon stole second and third to help the Yankees win 7-4 and take a 3-1 lead in the Series.

ROB CARR/AP

Damon's big dash, A-Rod's big hit put Phillies in 3-1 hole

BY RONALD BLUM
The Associated Press

PHILADELPHIA — Johnny Damon slid into second base, saw third was uncovered and swiped that, too. All on a single pitch. The Philadelphia Phillies never recovered.

Damon's daring dash at Citizens Bank Park will be remembered for a long time. He scored the tiebreaking run on Alex Rodriguez's ninth-inning double off Brad Lidge, and the New York Yankees moved within a victory of their 27th World Series title with an unusual 7-4 victory over Philadelphia on Sunday night.

Yup, they definitely stole this one. "It just worked out that way," Damon said. "There was a throw, the third baseman covered, and the pitcher did not."

Philadelphia tried to be shifty, and it backfired when Damon took advantage.

Still smarting after getting plunked, Ro-

driguez struck back with his bat. He took the swing of a lifetime.

"There's no question — I've never had a bigger hit," Rodriguez said.

Only 27 outs from that elusive 27th title, the Yankees will try to close out the defending champions Monday night when A.J. Burnett faces October ace Cliff Lee.

Rodriguez applauded his own stroke of fortune, for good reason. The three-time AL MVP had waited his whole career for this chance, and put all his prominent playoff failures behind with a solid shot that echoed around Citizens Bank Park.

"He's the reason why we're sitting here and we're in Philadelphia right now," Damon said. "I felt like without him, who knows where our road may have stopped at?"

Rodriguez was drilled by two pitches in Game 3, including one that left a bruise on his thigh. Then he was nailed in the back

by Joe Blanton's fastball in the first inning, prompting plate umpire Mike Everitt to warn both teams.

Of the 42 teams to take a 3-1 lead in the World Series, 36 went on to win it. The last club to overcome such a deficit was Kansas City in 1985.

Pedro Feliz had tied the score with an eighth-inning homer off Joba Chamberlain, and Damon came to the plate with two outs and none on in the ninth.

In the ninth, the Phils brought in Lidge — a playoff star last year who had struggled all season before regaining his touch in October.

But November was not so kind.

Lidge had been the lone closer in the playoffs who hadn't allowed a run until the Yankees tagged him.

Ball one, three fouls, two more balls and a full count. Another foul, then another. Lidge was consistently clocked in the low

90s on the radar gun and Damon was struggling to keep up.

"I kept sitting slider, and he kept throwing the fastball. They really don't teach you to do it that way," Damon said. "But I felt like his slider made me look silly on a couple pitches, so I kept sitting slider and just reacted to the fastball."

Some reaction.

Damon sliced the ninth pitch of the sequence into left field — but the really hard work was just beginning.

Philadelphia went into a shift with Mark Teixeira at the plate, moving third baseman Pedro Feliz to the shortstop position, sliding shortstop Jimmy Rollins to the right side of second base and putting second baseman Chase Utley on the right-field grass, about 20 feet off the foul line.

Damon broke for second, and Feliz took a step in front of the base and slightly to the

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